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INTER-CONFERENCE MEETING

The regular April Inter-Conference meeting will be held on Friday, April 21, in the chapel at 150 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y., beginning at 10:30 and closing at 3:30. Theme, *My Christian Venture With the Latin American.* Speakers— Dr. Mark Dawber, Executive Secretary of the Home Missions Council of North America, and others.

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National Family Week, May 7-14, 1944

IN TIMES like these men, women, and children have more than ordinary need of the strength which comes from love and understanding of families. We deeply need also to be in touch with God and his spiritual Kingdom. That many homes are not meeting these needs is shown by the prevalence of divorce and family breakdown.

Christian Family Week emphasizes the spiritual foundations of the family. When people are meeting a great crisis, they have a special need of the strength and security that are in our Christian faith. As the church and the home work together family ties will be kept warm and strong and churches will experience a more vital usefulness.

Let's Celebrate Family Week

Christianity exalts the home.

Children are the potential power of the future. Today millions of families are divided, children are neglected, delinquency mounts, and moral standards sag. The family now has more than ordinary need of vital spiritual power and the sustaining fellowship of the church.

Only as families are Christian can the church be strong. Family Week can help home and church find new ways of working together.

Family Week is *your* week. It is sponsored by the Inter-Council Committee on Christian Family Life representing the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, the International Council of Religious Education, and the United Council of Church Women. It is sponsored also by corresponding agencies in Roman Catholic and Jewish constituencies. Various civic agencies cooperate.

Things a Family Can Do

Strengthen Home Ties

Have good times and happy fellowship together. Develop the family council method of talking things over. Come to democratic agreement on such matters as work, recreation, the family budget, stewardship, outings, hobbies, and use of the radio.

Have Family Devotions

Many families find new strength and joy in this way. Having absent members included in the plans, using common materials, creates a feeling of unity in the presence of God. Work out the best plan for your family. See page 7 of this issue, the article "Enriching the Devotional Life of the Home."

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Share With Others

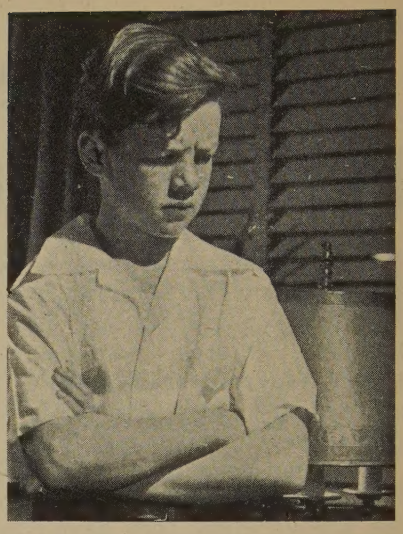
Help some new family or some lonely individual to find neighborliness and Christian fellowship. Do at least one thing as a family to help overcome racial and economic barriers. Share as a family in some kind of community service.

Co-operate in Church Plans

Share helpfully in plans for Family Week in your church and community. The Woman's Society of Christian Service will have as its topic for May, "Nursery Schools," which ties in with the celebration of Family Week. This issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN provides additional material, see pages 4-6, 15, as well as the page of methods in the March issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN, page 26. The government has been urging the establishment of nursery schools to care for children of working mothers. The Woman's Society leads in this imporant task.

Juvenile Delinquency

By Bettie S. Brittingham



Many youth of this age have begun to make their own money and this in itself brings a new problem into the home. Sometimes they receive the wages of grown-ups and want to undergo the experiences of adults as well.

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PREOCCUPIED by events abroad, concerned as we all are in defense at home and the building and equipping of an army of more than ten million young men, are we prone to forget some of the grave problems on the home front? One of these problems is increasing juvenile delinquency.

Delinquency is no new problem caused by the war, but it may be increased by it. Every year about two hundred thousand delinquent children, each of them a problem, have been coming before our juvenile courts. This is not a concern of our cities only, though it is intensified here. Every town and rural community has its neglected children and its maladjusted youth, who instead of developing into fine upright citizens, assets to the country, go on to fill our prisons—expensive failures of our democracy.

There has been increasing newspaper discussion of juvenile crime since the war started. Some of it has been constructive, searching for causes and remedies; some has been merely sensational.

In wartime, as in peacetime, juvenile delinquency results from our failure to satisfy the basic needs of children and youth—the need for security and for opportunity for growth and achievement. The home and community, through which these fundamental needs are met, find their task made more difficult by the dislocation they are undergoing in wartime.

Causes of Juvenile Delinquency

Among the wartime conditions contributing to juvenile delinquency, suggested by the Children's Bureau of the United States Department of Labor, are the following:

Fathers are separated from their families because they are serving in the armed forces or working in distant war industries.

Mothers in large numbers are engaged in full-time employment and are therefore away from home most of the day.

Lack of consistent guidance and supervision from their parents give children opportunities for activities that may lead to unacceptable behavior.

An increasing number of children are now employed, in many instances under unwholesome conditions that impede their growth, limit their educational progress, or expose them to moral hazards.

The widespread migration of families to crowded centers of war industry has uprooted children from familiar surroundings and subjected them to life in communities where resources are overtaxed by the increased population.

Dance halls, beer parlors, and other "attractions" that flourish in industrial centers and near military establishments, unless kept under community control, frequently exert a harmful influence on youth.

The general spirit of excitement and adventure aroused by war and the tension, anxiety, and apprehension felt by parents or other adults, are reflected in restlessness, defiance, emotional disturbance, and other negative forms of behavior on the part of children and young people.

As a result of these wartime conditions, many communities have already experienced an upward trend in delinquency. Other communities apparently find no marked change in the delinquency situation since the war began. Although nationwide statistics on juvenile delinquency are not available, statistics reported to the Children's Bureau by eighty-two courts serving areas of one hundred thousand or more population throw light on recent changes in the volume of juvenile delinquency. The total number of cases of delinquency brought before these courts has increased about 16 per cent. The rise in the number of delinquency cases was greater for girls than for boys. In war production centers, the increase in delinquency is much higher—200 per cent increase in these areas is given.

Senator Pepper, who is chairman of a Government Committee investigating juvenile delinquency, calls this "a deep-rooted social problem of many facets." Katharine Lenroot declares that "if some wise planning is not done to meet the demobilization of children under eighteen who have been working and are out of step with school, we will be confronted with a delinquency problem of far greater proportions than war delinquency."

There is one thread which runs through all statements of leaders concerning juvenile delinquency, and that is, there is a job for everybody in this fight against juvenile delinquency. According to McCloskey, National Director of Community War Service, families, police, schools, social agencies,

churches, must all co-operate to help check the spread of juvenile delinquency, rehabilitate those suffering because of it, and build preventive programs for the future.

What Can the Woman's Society of Christian Service Do?

Aid in Plans for Community Action—The Inter-Agency Committee on Child Welfare, representing the International Council of Religious Education, the Federal Council of Churches, the Home Missions Council of North America, and the United Council of Church Women, recommends that each local church appoint one person to keep the church informed on the subject of juvenile delinquency and to represent it in interchurch child welfare activities, that the child welfare representatives of the different churches elect persons from their group to represent the churches in "the most representative community child welfare committee." If there is no such committee the interchurch committee should take the initiative to help set one up.

A prominent social worker comments that in smaller communities it is likely that nothing will be done unless the churches take it up. In a little midwestern village suddenly overwhelmed by a large new defense plant, it is reported that the church is the only resident community resource with civic leadership.

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A sympathetic approach to youth in love and understanding is particularly necessary in these days of strain when adolescents do not understand their own emotions.

The Police Department of the City of New York has called upon every citizen to co-operate with the local precinct in curbing further delinquency. One of the precincts has organized a co-ordinating council with officers, constitution, and by-laws. A minister is chairman of this co-ordinating council. At the first meeting many loyal citizens volunteered their time and ability to help with this common problem. All faiths and all peoples were represented and rightfully so, because juvenile delinquency knows no barrier of race or creed. Writes the chairman in *The Grammercy Graphic:*

"What do we hope to accomplish? We hope to fulfill the needs our people disclose. To be more specific, we may open teen-age canteens, where young people of all faiths and all stations of life can come together for fellowship in a clean and wholesome environment. We hope it may be possible to open more recreational facilities under the leadership of experienced lay people who are residents in this precinct. It is also hoped that we may strengthen and encourage more parent-teacher associations as well as assist the schools and parents whenever possible. . . . . We recognize that under wartime conditions, parents are called upon to endure many hardships, which make their burdens heavy. Juvenile delinquency cannot be attributed just to parents. It is society's problem, and society must take measures to solve it. It may mean that we will have to provide nursery schools for children of parents who work, assist in proper referrals, and provide much-needed leadership. We have no money, but we are certain that many of our people will assume their civic responsibilities."

We know that broken homes are a contributing factor to juvenile delinquency. It is, therefore, that we point with pride to our homes for children and realize the influence for good which they are having upon the lives of little children. This is one of the best types of prevention of juvenile delinquency.

Probably no permanent work has proved its worth in this crisis as have the girls' residences. Their gates have been figuratively stormed for admission by girls coming into our large cities who need decent, comfortable living quarters. There still rings in my ears this statement of one of the girls in our Esther Halls, "You don't know what it means to have a home like this of which you can be proud and to which you can bring your friends."

Yes, the primary emphasis of the program of church women is prevention. We are concerned with juvenile delinquency but we are more concerned about changing patterns of life that produce juvenile delinquency. This is the unique task which the church can perform. Let us not be too laudatory in the things which we have done as

Boys around twelve years old boxing in an improvised "ring" on a vacant lot. They need playgrounds and counseling service.

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church women. Let us rather approach this new crisis before us in humility and with concern. Let us begin by taking our place along with all other agencies in the community to study this problem and to do everything we possibly can about it in the area in which we live. Let us realize also the increasing value of the schools, kindergartens, and homes, established by church women and give them increased support that the needs of youth may be served today.

Build an Adequate Local Church Program—"In fulfilling its primary responsibility for spiritual guidance, the church helps the child to develop regard for other persons and respect for their rights. It can help the child to gain a perspective upon life that makes him able to distinguish between fundamental values in human conduct and transient ideas as to what constitutes acceptable and unacceptable behavior. Through these positive values children are enabled to face difficulties and are given confidence in the ultimate meaning of life. Thus they are fortified against delinquency.

"In its secondary role as a community center the church affords a place and an opportunity for young people to form wholesome associations and participate in constructive activities." This statement is all the more important because it comes from the government and recognizes the importance of the church in helping to meet this problem.

The church can fulfill its responsibilities for combating juvenile delinquency through:

1. Providing spiritual guidance by private counseling, general and special religious services, special class and religious instruction, study groups, and special programs.

2. Serving as a community center by use of church buildings and by providing leadership for social, musical, and community activities in which boys and girls, as well as entire families and neighbors may join, such as clubs, discussion groups, choirs, games, athletics, contests, and suppers. Use church grounds for tennis courts, playgrounds, and basketball courts.

Control of Harmful Influences in the Community—Work for legal regulations for controlling influences in the community such as:

1. Controlling conditions in places offering public refreshment or entertainment.

2. Dealing with owners and operators of establishments and with other individuals contributing to the delinquency of minors.

3. Eliminating harmful practices, such as sale of obscene literature, and sale of liquor and of marijuana and similar drugs to minors.

4. Closing houses of prostitution and controlling conditions that lead to prostitution in hotels, on the streets, and elsewhere.

Strengthen the Work of the Woman's Division of Christian Service

It should be borne in mind that the major part of the work of the Woman's Division of Christian Service is among children and adolescents. Government has urged the establishment of nursery schools and kindergartens, especially for children whose parents are employed during the day. It is significant that church women have long recognized this need.

As we look forward to a world after the war when we must build good will where hate has been sown, our schools must have, as part of their objective of "creating the Christian mind," that of establishing interracial understanding. The educational institutions of the Woman's Division serve minority and racial groups across the country. These become avenues of good will as well as prepare young people to become Christian citizens of a Christian community.

Enriching the Devotional Life of the Home

By Satyaviti Chitambar

"The Fire Shall Ever Be Burning Upon the Altar; It Shall Never Go Out."

How thankful we should be to our Father for having sent us into his world in families. What joy and happiness our families have given to us! If it were not for them, would we have known God and his love?

There are two kinds of devotions necessary for the welfare of the home.

First, devotion to each other in the family according to the relationship among them. It means that each member is anxious for the welfare of the others; and that each one contributes towards making the home a united and a happy one. But if it were to stop here, the family would become a self-centered one, with no interest in others. It would not be a blessing to any one outside the family. Instead of being a blessing to the world, it would become an obstacle in its progress.

Second, there is another very necessary devotion, by which not only the family but all who come into contact with it are blest. And that is devotion to God, our Father. I was struck with a wall-text in a home; it said that in a happy family each lived for the other and all for God. The parents in the home should be the ones to know and love this Father God and be devoted and wholly surrendered to him. When parents are thus devoted to him, then they will in a perfectly natural way bring up their children in an atmosphere of devotion to God and devotion to each other. And their devotion to God will come first.

The child as he grows will feel it and his life will be enriched by it. He will notice their prayer life, the regular observing of the Morning Watch, individually and together. In the latter the child is also included and even though he does not understand it while he is too young, he gradually does and it is a blessing to him. Besides, unconsciously this habit is forming in him. At meals thanks to the Father the Giver of all blessings are given, not as a mere repetition of a formula of words, but with all sincerity and gratefulness. The child observes and is impressed by it.

The prayer life of the parents is a source of great enrichment to the devotional life of the family. The child notices that when his parents pray aloud, although he cannot see anybody in person, they seem to be talking with a real person, who seems to be above everyone in the world and full of power. He notices that they bring all their problems to him; whether personal, financial, friends, country, or the world. This naturally creates love and respect for this wonderful, loving, and all-powerful Father, God. It leads him to bring his little problems and troubles to him also, even with regard to his toys and his pets. The enriched devotional life of the home enriches the life of the child.

He finds them reading the Bible daily and the way they handle the Book creates respect in his heart for it. Besides, he is taught that it is the Word of God and contains his rich promises to those who obey him. One of my boys, who is in the Home above now, said to me one day, when he was about ten years of age: "Mummie, I want to be good all the time, but so often I forget. Please have wall-texts with Bible words, all over the house, to remind me to be "Good." God's Word helps even young boys and girls and it is good to have Bible texts on the wall to guide them.

He also finds his parents use Saturday as the day of preparation for the Sabbath, the Lord's Day. There is a general cleaning in the house, and it is made to look nice with everything clean and in order. Clothes all ready to be used the next day, with no mending or anything of the kind to be attended to on the Sabbath Day. The child is brought into the Sabbath atmosphere. He is taught according to his understanding that this is a special day given to us by the Father God. It is meant for us for physical and mental rest and is to be kept holy for him. It is up to the parents to make this day a really happy one to which a child may look forward, and not something to be dreaded, as a dull day.

The child also sees his parents helping in every good cause, especially in church matters. He is taught that the tenth of the family income belongs to the Lord, a sign of our loyalty to him. He is encouraged to do the same with his pocket money.

All this gives a very rosy picture of this home. It seems as if no trouble ever visits it. But it is not so! They have their full share of trials and sorrow, but the child has never found his parents in despair.

May I add here that much depends on the woman in the home. She is the homemaker. The machinery of the home is in her hands. By giving Him the pre-eminence in *all* things, she will succeed in making the home what our Father wishes it to be, enriched in every way through the enrichment of the devotional life in it; thus strengthening the church and helping in establishing the Kingdom of God on earth.

Woman's Contribution to the Family in Wartime

By Leland Foster Wood

THERE is little profit in bemoaning the sagging of moral standards, the mounting of delinquency, or the strain and separation in families unless we do something now to strengthen and safeguard the family life of the future. Present difficulties constitute a tremendous challenge to us to bring good out of the midst of evil. It is time to gather all of our constructive forces and build foundations on which the homes of the future can stand secure. Out of the agony of separation and danger arises a new awareness of how precious home ties are.

Three great things we can do which will improve family life. First, we can make the most of our family relationships in whatever circumstances we now are. Second, we can help provide for young people an educational preparation for marriage. Third, we can work for a world that shall be more favorable to the family and all that the family represents.

Make Most of Family Relationships

Women have an outstanding opportunity here. As really as men need to take the lead in holding together the outer structure of the world, women need to take a leadership in holding together the inner world of family values. Each sex must help the other or both will fail. Women do not necessarily take their love and their family relationships more seriously than men do, yet they are inclined to keep perennially closer to these central values. In these disturbed times they help to hold the world together because their love holds across seas and continents and goes into all the world with their men. There is something intuitive and spiritual about a loving woman which leads her to see, or to create, at least a little light even in the darkest times.

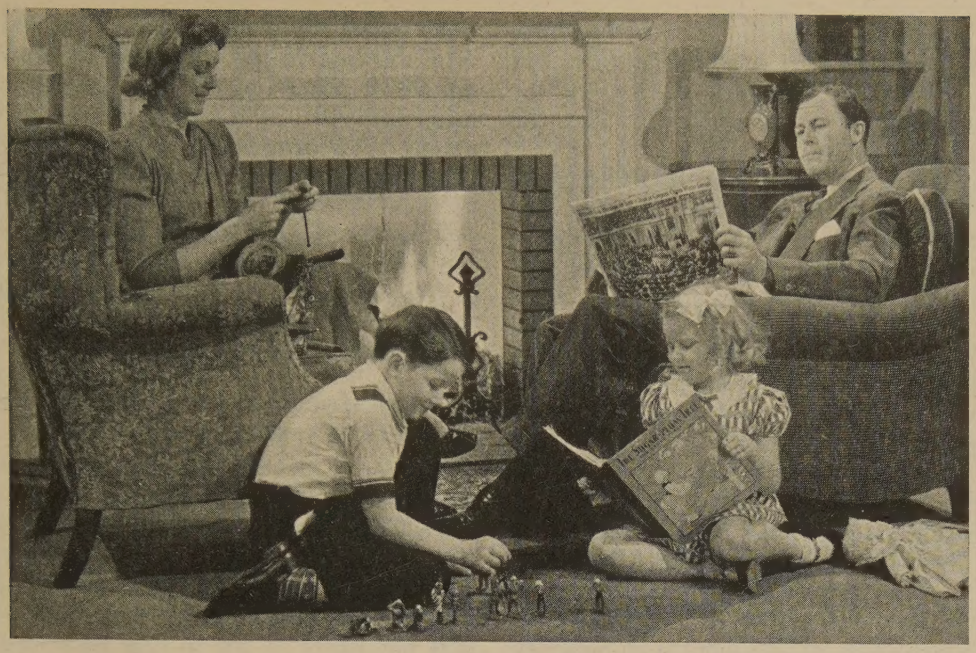
Those inner sources of strength which experience has shown to be ageless, namely faith, hope, and love, sustain us today as we think about our families and each of their members. How much faith and hope and love men and women must have when separation forces them to rethink all their plans! One young woman in just such a situation said, "We have talked everything over and we know that our ties will hold no matter what happens." Faith says that dreams must be cherished and love goes to work to build new values on which people can live. Marriage in wartime is in large part what women make it. They cannot make it what they would like but they can still keep it strong and sustaining. Separations, yes, but inner ties hold even across the distance of the world.

Women must work on themselves as well as their world. Just now many women live for the time when their men will come back, and they should. But they must recognize that the homecoming will bring new tests for the men themselves and for the women. Where now many women are living in a dream of the future, then the future will be looking them in the face and asking, "What are you going to do with me now that I am here?" To assure the values that we want the future to bring we must pack the present with as much growth as we can put into it. Some think that it will be enough merely to be together again, and we want them to feel that way to some extent. Yet we want them to realize that life will not automatically pick itself up and carry itself along. There will be many readjustments to make. For this reason women's minds should be fertile with plans that will mean much to themselves and their husbands during the period of separation and will help bind their lives together when the men return.

Although plans must, of course, be elastic and adjustable, women should be thinking with their husbands about ways of re-establishing normal vocational activities when the war ends, and establishing these on a higher level than before if possible. They should keep vital friendships alive in church and community for these will mean much to them and to their husbands during all their years. If their special wartime situation seems to offer little chance of friendships which will carry over they can at least be developing in themselves the capacity to make much of friendship in their lives, so that wherever they may be in the postwar world their lives will be enriched by splendid values of creative fellowship.

Women should also be growing in their acquaintance with God and in their awareness of the larger interests of life in order that they and their men may have something big and challenging to live for, something outside themselves and yet in their very hearts. It is perfectly evident that the world needs more spiritual power, more of the love of God in human hearts to accomplish the prodigious task of getting humanity re-established on a basis of brotherhood.

At this point the home stands out with rich



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promise, for the home is one of the places where it is most easy and natural for God to get into the hearts of people through love. Men have looked for revelations of God on the mountain and in the valley, in the majesty of the universe and in the great occurrences of history. We usually think of the revelation of God as occurring in some demonstration of power, some new grasp of truth or someone's passionate devotion to justice. We may be confident, however, that God intends to reveal himself in ordinary as well as extraordinary occurrences.

There is no other place that is quite so well suited by its very nature to be a means of revealing God to all people as the family. In the home God comes close to a man and woman in their love for each other and in the marvelous experience of being workers together with God in creating new life and nurturing growing human beings. God is revealed in children in the love and care of fathers and mothers and in the way in which parents lead them into the appreciation of all that is fine and true. Where members of families love one another God has already come close to them seeking to be known by them in his own love and through their love for one another.

Let us put the focus of our attention where Christianity does in its interpretation of God. Let us put emphasis on love. Let us think deeply about what God intended when he planned that these homes of ours should be places where love both human and divine puts its impress upon human life. Let us think of the majesty and gentleness of God's plan that through love we should know one another best and should also best know him.

Educational Preparation for Marriage for Youth

If we realize the importance which God gives to the home and which men have given to it in their best thinking we shall want the most effective training program for family life which we can have. These critical years which children spend in our own homes will be seen as splendid opportunities to prepare them to build the homes of tomorrow. There is no short cut in preparing people to be builders of the finest kind of homes because it calls for nothing less than the maturing of fine personalities skilled in the adjustments of life. This is a continuing task for the mothers and fathers of today. Even the fathers who have to be away can still have a real part in this if they are resourceful in using all the available means of keeping close to their families in thoughts of one another which leap instantaneously across all distances.

When we think of the need of sowing and reaping the finest fruits of democracy in the world we realize that every home should be a training place in democratic living. The home is also a good place to take care of the early stages on the sex education of children. As they gradually realize that the true meanings of sex are to be found in the splendid relationships of loyal marriage and loving parenthood they will have an inner safeguard against the misunderstanding and abuse of sex around which so much delinquency gathers. Later when maturing young people come into the dating and courtship period sympathetic understanding on the part of parents will help them to meet problems which are sure to come.

Training for future homes should also enter into the curricula of schools. At this point parents can support the efforts of those educators who see the need of putting education for family life into the regular school curriculum.

In church groups parents should take a genuine interest in having an educational program for young people which will include the interpretation of courtship and marriage that they may be prepared for the best Christian homemaking. Since parenthood is both an art and a science, and should have the respect which belongs to a high profession or a fine art, parents will want classes and courses for themselves. Helpful concrete suggestions for such a program can be secured from the Federal Council of Churches. The program should at the same time make special provision for service wives, and servicemen so far as they are available, and should be fruitful in ways of maintaining strong spiritual ties with the men who are away.

Women can also help greatly in the counseling program of which there will be more than ordinary need when the young people who have entered into war marriages try to settle down in some groove of peacetime living. Parents can help to make universal in the public mind and especially among their own young people the idea that the thing to do about marriage problems is to bring to them the best resources of individual will and intelligence supplemented wherever necessary by the help of skilled counselors. Many pastors are developing skill in this function. All parents should back them in it and should co-operate whenever the occasion demands.

Work for a World More Favorable to the Family

Moreover, every member of a family, as a matter of course, and as an immediately available means of enriching the life of all, should study and labor to improve his own score as a family member. The building of the sort of world we want begins at home and if it does not make progress at home it is not likely to get to first base anywhere else.

The Soldier Meets the Missionary

By Mabel H. Brown

"WHAT WILL you do first when you get back to the States?" This was one of the questions in some games in a missionary home in China at a Washington's birthday dinner party for Americans in uniform.

Among the replies were these: "I shall get down on my knees and kiss the ground." "I shall go to the first telephone, call up the folks, have a malted milk and hamburger—and then get back to the farm and help dad."

Some homesick Americans fourteen thousand miles away are finding Christian hospitality in the most unexpected places. A visit to the mission—a chance to talk with home folks in a "home away from home"—is a sure cure for soldiers' blues! Everywhere missionaries are keeping open house for the armed forces; making over large rooms and putting in games, magazines, victrolas; establishing canteens; talking over personal problems; providing kitchen privileges, having picnic suppers for sailors in port. One guest book recently held 386 names of soldiers.

"A bit of Tennessee transplanted to the heart of Persia!" says an American soldier, a former schoolteacher. "This missionary's home has been an oasis for the soldiers who have visited there. He and his family are the greatest morale builders in this part of the world. He is doing a wonderful work which only a man with extraordinary ability and a strong and lovable personality could accomplish; and this under most difficult conditions."

A serviceman passing through Gauhati, Assam, wrote in the missionary guest book, "One of the times I nearly forgot my rank and number and was almost human again."

From "Somewhere in Africa" a lad addresses his pastor at home as "Dear Reverend," describes the bachelor-missionary "open house" he visits near camp and the magnificent work being done among the natives. He closes thus: "Sir, I would like to know if there are any more of our missionaries down here in Africa. If there are I would sure like to meet them."

"We can get pretty close to five hundred into our chapel, and sometimes there is standing room only," writes a missionary in Iran. "And when that congregation of men unite on 'How Firm a Foundation,' you really feel the foundations are firm."

From India: "We had about fifty soldiers in our homes at Thanksgiving dinner, and again at Christmas." "Their wisecracks have helped us grow younger." "We have a hard time keeping the cookie jar filled." "They express their gratitude in many ways. Sometimes they bring luxury items as gifts to us." "The boys invariably stay till nearly midnight—and it takes a half hour anyway to get them going."

But the boys are discovering more than home atmosphere. They are discovering the world-wide Christian church—where they hardly knew it existed. What do they say when this happens? "Well, Mom, more miracles have happened than seemed possible. Believe me, there are a lot of fellows out here that didn't have religion but sure do now." "I have had to abolish from my mind the ideas that I had picked up about mission work when at home."

A minister in Milwaukee is adjured thus: "The next time you have a missionary at the church who has spent time in India, give him a good build-up. The work they are doing is wonderful. I got into a clan of them at one of my stations and really had my eyes opened, both at the religious work they do and the splendid attention they are giving to medical and educational advancement. Right now much of their time is taken in improvising their homes into USO's for American and British soldiers, and the entertainment they provide is only shadowed by their food. It isn't a bad life, that of a missionary. They are forgetting all that petty rivalry which we sometimes find at home!"

A captain writes: "We may not have wanted to come to India, but it has meant that many thousands of men who would have cherished throughout their lives an entirely wrong conception of missionary work have been able to see that Christian work at first hand. Nothing seems too much for these indefatigable people. Our men have found on Sunday a 'little sanctuary' where they may find God, and finding him can feel again with their loved ones, quiet in mind, strong in spirit. I am writing from a khaki-colored viewpoint. We have met true and living Christianity here. To see these things is a great revelation that none of us will ever forget."

"I take it all back," is the message of a soldier to his mother, after an enthusiastic recital of the influence of Christianity on the lives of natives. He had criticized missionaries but after seeing them in action said, "They are doing a grand job." Another wrote, "Dear Mom: Because of missions, I was feasted and not feasted upon when I fell from the sky into this village." A chaplain in New Caledonia says: "None of my sturdy men will ever say, 'I don't believe in missions.' They are all for it." Others write: "If this is a missionary work, it's an eye-opener to me." "I have been giving pennies to missions, but I am going to teach my son to give dimes."

One officer says he will return home after the war, take his medical degree, and return to serve where once he was a soldier. An army nurse declares she will become a missionary nurse. Another officer, a man of science, not a member of any church, writes: "People would feel a lot better about the money that goes to these missionaries if they could see what they have done. It is a lot different from the idea that they are 'cramming religion' into them and teaching them hymns. The people they work with were head-hunters not long ago. Now they are an industrious, honest group on the whole, who may have to come over and evangelize our civilized western world after a bit."

The oft-termed "impractical" missionary work of the church has produced one of the most practical surprises of the war—invaluable assistance to Allied servicemen by islanders of the fever-infested South Pacific. Voluntarily, one-time savages daily risk their lives to carry ammunition to the front lines. Many hundreds of wrecked and wounded aviators and sailors have discovered that the reason they were carried tenderly on stretchers for days across the Owen Stanley Range by "fuzzy-wuzzy angels," instead of being eaten forthwith or being turned over to the enemy for reward, was that Christian missionaries had been at work among those tribes for only fifty years.

An American airman made a crash landing. "You are burnt. We must take you to Darwin," said the headman he encountered in the bush. The wounded man was thereupon installed as comfortably as possible in the bottom of the dugout canoe while the aboriginal Good Samaritans battled over the long trek of thirty-five miles to the military hospital.

"One might have expected," says the Bishop of New Guinea, "that these brown people who have but recently emerged from savagery and the stone age would have seen Christ in the Australian. Perhaps they have—but the fact is, many Australian soldiers who perhaps had never seen the likeness of Christ in their own home life have seen him in the faces and lives of those brown 'fuzzy-wuzzy angels.' "

Spantaneous and generous gifts on the spot are reported—100 pounds here and 65 pounds there; $200 to the Anglican bishop "toward making more angels"; $200 by a co-pilot to his mother in America, to be given to the church, three-quarters of it for missions. A graduate of an American college made a remarkable record as an ace in the Pacific. When he finally gave his life in combat he had willed all of his earthly possessions amounting to several thousand dollars "to build up the people of Japan."

Again quoting the Bishop of New Guinea, "Christian missions do not as a rule receive credit from more than a few discerning persons; but this time a faintly and conventionally Christian society wakes up and sees the triumph of missions written across the sky in letters of flame."

Social-Evangelistic Work in China*

By Juanita Brown

Mrs. Wu Serves Through a Literacy Class

I AM WU DA NIANG, from Liu Chia Kou. Our Bible Woman encouraged me to help with the literacy class. I really have studied only a few months myself, although I have been a Christian for over ten years. Last fall I attended a Sunday School Institute for training. This was held in the Kien Yang Church, five miles from our home. There I received inspiration really to serve the Lord. "What can I do when I am scarcely literate?" I asked.

Our Bible Woman replied: "You can teach the beginners while I teach the advanced pupils, those who have already studied some."

So we planned for the class. The books were easy—the county Government Adult Literacy Bureau provided them when our Bible Woman and I asked for them. The women of our community had not studied, and it is a very conservative place.

At first we had four young men, two young married women, and two girls about twelve years old. We decided to meet in the Ancestral Hall of our clan. Each person who came was asked to bring a lamp.

I visited the mothers-in-law of all the young married women who wanted to study and urged them to let their daughters-in-law come. Some did, but others were not willing to let them use the lamp and waste oil. So I provided oil for the lamps of several. My oil supply for the year was used up in March, but as my husband is a Christian, too, and interested in the class, he agreed to my buying more oil. As our crops were good last year, we could give this much to the Lord.

After a few months, we had over twenty in the class. Every night we had a period when both classes combined and our Bible Woman told Bible stories or explained the Christian Way. Some people of the community thought that it was not right for me to let Christian teaching take place in the Ancestral Hall; they feared that ancestral spirits would be displeased. Therefore, we cleared out one of the rooms where we stored our farm implements, and after the reading and writing all the class went over to our house to that room for the Christian teaching. Now about everyone in our clan sees how much improved the character of folk are who study. It is handy to have the daughters and daughters-in-law able to write accounts, and since they have learned a little, they do not make expensive mistakes with money. A woman in our settlement once gave a five-dollar bill for fifty cents. Now the people can tell the money.

That is all. I really haven't done anything. But we enjoy the classes, and I think many people will soon become Christian.

Church in a Chou Clan Home

WE have been Christians for over ten years, and we have held Christian services for ourselves and for our neighbors for a long time. As during the last two years there has been no pastor in the church, the Sunday school and church services have been held in our home. When last summer we heard that some college students could come to our community to help us, we prepared for them to live in our house. We cleared out three rooms and whitewashed them and made all ready for the college girls. These girls were just fine. They had nursery schools for the little ones and weekly meetings for the parents to discuss family problems. They had daily vacation Bible school for the older girls and the young married women. A number of people in the adult literacy class learned how to read their Bibles. At the close of the summer we had a big celebration in our house for all the classes.

Mrs. San Serves the Community

WHEN I came to this community there had never been a nurse here or a doctor who used Western medicine. When I saw how little the people knew about keeping their homes and children clean and how much sickness there was everywhere, I hardly knew where to begin. The pastor and Bible Woman here were very helpful and knew many people. They introduced me to Christians near the church first, and I went to their homes to help them when their children were sick or when they had some other trouble. At first they were afraid of the new kind of medicine and didn't understand anything about germs or contagious diseases. Gradually, however, they came to trust my advice and ask me to help deliver the babies. Since the women in this community deliver their own babies I taught the mothers how to sterilize scissors, cloth, and the utensils they used, in order that tetanus might be prevented.

Gradually Christians in the country asked me to

* Supplementary material for April Program.

come to help them also, and now almost any time, day or night, someone may come to ask for help. Every day we have a clinic for half a day when anyone may come for medication. When I give medicine to treat some trouble, I always tell about how to be clean and how to choose food that is nutritious and well-balanced.

Chang Family Serves Their Workmen

WE ARE a new Christian family, and I am so happy in my Christian experience that I want to share it with everybody. We are a large family with my sons and their wives and our thirty grandchildren and forty or fifty workmen. Altogether we have about two hundred people living on our farm. The farm is about two miles from town. As I have wanted to share my experience with everyone on our farm, we have started services and singing every evening, and the pastor comes out to help. We gather after supper for evening prayers and everyone enjoys learning to sing and memorize Bible verses. The pastor and I take turn explaining the meaning of the Scripture. After the early morning work is done on Sunday, everyone is free to go to church. I enjoy the fellowship with the Christian people in town, and I enjoy helping to serve the community. Although I felt very unworthy, I was happy when a church office was given me.

Yun Pao Chang Serves by Preventing Gambling

I WAS a chairbearer for some years before I settled down as a farmer. While carrying the chair for the pastor of a near-by church I became a Christian through his influence. As I understand now much better than formerly the real meaning of Christianity, I am trying to serve my community. A few years ago I became Pao Chang.* There are a number of Christians in our community, but not many of them are strong Christians, and we all need to help each other. Even my own wife and other members of the family are not yet Christian. I pray daily that my elder brother may become Christian and leave off gambling and taking of opium. I do thank God that he is improving and has not taken any opium for a long time.

Since China New Year is the time of greatest temptation, last year I consulted with some of the other Christian men, the Bible Woman, and some of the church leaders in town as to how we could help our people to withstand this temptation. We decided to have a meeting in my home the night before China New Year. The Bible Woman and I planned the Christian worship service. The friends in town and two college students who came for work during the China New Year season assumed responsibility for games. My wife and sister-in-law prepared a supper for the church leaders and student guests.

After supper other Christians of the community came, bringing with them a number of young men and neighbor families who were interested in Christianity and did not want to spend the evening gambling. The renter who lives in our yard came with all of his family.

We had previously arranged a worship center in our living room. The worship service which was held was one in which everyone present, both Christian and non-Christian, participated. Following this, games were played, and later still light refreshments provided by the Christian group were served. These activities lasted until well past midnight and the New Year had come in. Everyone had a good time and declared that it was the best China New Year they had ever spent.

Neighborhood daily meetings, which followed the New Year celebration, were well attended. My brother and other young men did no gambling throughout the whole season, and my whole family said that it was the happiest New Year season they had ever experienced.

**Note:* A Pao Chang is the civil head of one hundred families. The office carries considerable responsibility, together with the mark of confidence of the community, but no salary.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCE MATERIALS FOR JUNE PROGRAM

In The Methodist Woman—

"Toward a New Day in Latin America," August, 1942, page 14. See the five articles on Latin America in the October, 1942, issue. "The Mexican Settlement Association," November, 1942, page 9. "Protestant Missions in Latin America," May, 1943, page 8. "Christian Literature in Latin America," October, 1943, page 16.

In World Outlook—

"Are Protestant Missions in Latin America Justified?" January, 1943, page 36. "Contributions of Missions to Inter-American Friendship," (two articles) February, 1943, page 18; and March 1943, page 37. "United Protestantism Answers Roman Catholic Propaganda," February, 1943, page 5. "Below the Surface in Pan-American Relations," June, 1943, page 13. "Shall Protestant Missionaries Be Withdrawn from Latin America?" February, 1944, page 5.

Visual Aids.*

16mm. Sound motion picture (1,600 feet). "From Across the Border" (an excellent picture), telling the story of a boy, born in Mexico, who came across the Border as an immigrant, worked in southern Texas, was befriended by a Mexican Methodist pastor, worked his way through mission school, decided to enter the Christian ministry, and now is serving as pastor of a Mexican church in Texas. Showing time, 40 minutes. Service charge, $4.

16mm. Silent motion picture (2 reels) "Thy Will Be Done," a story of the superintendent and the work among Mexicans in the United States, now organized as the Latin American Provisional Conference. Kodachrome. Service charge, $2.

"Mexico, Far-Away Land Near-by" (2 reels). A documentary film on Mexico and the Methodist work there. Kodachrome. Service charge, $2. Available also in black and white sound Kodachrome (65 slides).

Kodachrome Lectures, 2"x2", "Mexico, Land of Romance and Promise," a presentation of Mexico, of Mexican life, and of the work of the Methodist missions in our neighbor republic. Service charge, 75 cents.

* Order from The Department of Visual Education, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y.

Re-Thinking the Home Field

By Mary Lou Barnwell

The uprooting of twenty-seven million people in the United States has caused a restudy, a rethinking of the home field. Hardly a community, rural or urban, has been unaffected by this changing situation. Small cities have suddenly become large. Large cities have expanded to unheard-of proportions, rural areas have become cities without the time for gradual adjustment to such sudden, severe changes.

The Home Department has been making an intensive study of the existing projects within the department. These surveys have been revealing. Without exception there is a demand for increased and better-trained staff.

Co-operative planning for a community service was another point emphasized in the study. In the past we have too largely served as isolated agencies, but the future will have no place for the isolated agency in its plan for social welfare. The Methodist worker must co-operate with the Jewish group, the Catholics, other Protestants, and secular agencies that an adequate plan might be made to meet the community needs. Through this venture of co-operation we shall expect our church representatives to be of such quality that they will undergird the total plan with a Christian faith, a Christian approach, and a Christian emphasis.

In several messages from our friends who returned on the "Gripsholm" we heard this keynote: "We can't make the world Christian until we make America Christian." I'd like for us to consider the ways in which the Home Department is attempting that task.

By Meeting Community Needs

That might mean a school in an Indian area, providing Christian education for children and young people who have no other opportunity for such, as is true at the Navajo Methodist Mission School where there are six thousand children on the reservation and for whom there are no public-school facilities. Or the George O. Robinson School, in Puerto Rico, where there is a much-needed service for thousands of children without school facilities. The new building is 96 per cent complete and we are encouraged to believe that full completion will soon be realized. Eight kindergartens are in operation in various communities at present.

Then there is the rural area that needs leadership in co-ordinating agencies reaching it, or sometimes even bringing those needed services within reach of the community.

Another urgent need which we are attempting to meet is that of providing Christian homes for working girls. In defense areas this is found to be one of the most pressing responsibilities. The Esther Halls are overflowing as they serve the young women who are employed away from home.

Child care, including nurseries, kindergartens, and supervised activities for older children, is one of the biggest problems facing us since so many mothers are employed. Community centers, children's homes, and other church-sponsored agencies are attempting to supplement home and school training in order to prepare the boys and girls for complete living.

Parent education is an important emphasis whether in a rural community or in the midst of a crowded city. It has been said that much of the juvenile delinquency is caused by parent delinquency. An educational program with adults to help them determine proper values and make wise decisions regarding responsibility for and training of children is undertaken to safeguard the home and the family.

The need for health services is not restricted to any locality, racial or national group. In the Home Department there are nine medical centers providing health services to make strong bodies. Some of these medical centers also include a program of nurse training, such as Brewster Hospital, in Jacksonville, Florida, which is the only hospital in the state of Florida where Negro nurses may receive training. There are 116 girls in the United States Cadet Nurse Corps at Sibley Hospital, Washington, D. C.

Through Training for Leadership

If there were sufficient trained leadership in these communities it would be unnecessary for us to enter. Through our program we give an opportunity for the development of individual leadership through group activities and training courses. In some instances, students use our centers as laboratories. Scarritt, Fisk, Paine, and Emory are examples.

Because an opportunity was made for her through one of our settlements, a young Italian woman is a leading opera singer today. One of our boys is director of music for the armed forces in Australia. Several are chaplains or assistant chaplains. Others

are directing recreation in camp. Many have assumed places of outstanding leadership in their own and other communities. Some are deaconesses and missionaries.

Through Interpretation

Because hatred and prejudice are born of lack of knowledge and understanding, we believe interpretation to be one of our chief functions. In the coal-mining areas our workers are attempting to understand the miner, his work, his attitudes; to understand the labor unions, their benefits and handicaps; to understand the employer and his attitude; and to interpret one to another.

Those working in Bethlehem Centers on biracial staffs, with biracial boards, have an opportunity for interracial interpretation. In co-operation with Gammon Theological Seminary, plans have been made for operating a Bethlehem Center in Atlanta, Georgia, using the old Thayer Hall as the activity building. Located on the campus of Gammon Theological Seminary, it will be used as a training center for students. Since Atlanta is the home of the Interracial Commission, the Atlanta School of Social Work, Emory University, and that great Negro university center, certainly this new project may be expected to become one of the greatest ventures in interracial work that has been undertaken by our church.

Those in any community service may interpret one group to another. This means the worker must have a knowledge of folks and human relationships.

Bringing Individuals Into Vital Relationship With Christ

These other services are expressions of Christian love that the Christ might be interpreted and made real to the individuals. As they come into this Christian fellowship there is a difference in attitudes and responses. Those who have been recipients become participants in our great missionary program. From Moore Community House, Biloxi, Mississippi, comes the story of the young man in service who sent $50 for a stained-glass window honoring his mother. A check for $55 was sent to the Board as an expression of appreciation from the members of the little chapel. Also $30 for China relief was sent from the children in the vacation church school. From another center comes the story of a young man in service who sends contributions monthly for the support of a child in school. Students at Vashti School recently gave $65 for Greek sufferers, and $43 for the Fellowship of Suffering Fund.

About sixteen hundred deaconesses, missionaries, and employed workers are making this program possible.

What of the future? That depends upon what we do today. There are no breaks in history. What we do in the future has its beginning now. Today we could place at least one hundred additional workers if they were available. Building a Christian America is the task of the Home Department. That is done by building Christian communities, and that is done by building Christian individuals.

Ewing Galloway, N. Y.

Nursery schools is one of the most important phases of the educational field of the day. Hope, joy, and life abundant are being brought to many little ones for the Lord's song is being sung in the nursery schools sponsored by the Woman's Division by our missionaries and deaconesses.

Departmental Suggestions

Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities

By Thelma Stevens, *Executive Secretary*

The National Seminar on Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, which has been conducted at Garrett Institute the past two years, will be held July 8-22, 1944, at Iliff School of Theology, Denver, Colorado. The detailed outline of the tentative program for the two-week period will be sent to Conference and Jurisdiction Presidents and Secretaries of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, and the Wesleyan Service Guild after March 15, and to other interested leaders upon request. For further information write Miss Thelma Stevens, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, New York.

The following urgent message comes to you from Mrs. Fred Bradfute, chairman of a special department *Committee on Legislation:*

"American women are making a commendable record for themselves in all kinds of work connected with our war effort. They have risen to the home front ministration and production needs whenever they were called upon. However, there is a place that both our men and women have failed to give the necessary amount of time and effort to secure the needed results. In recent elections all over the country, the percentage of citizens voting in our elections has grown alarmingly small. In many localities less than 50 per cent of the voters cast their ballots. It is true that we have many elections in this nation, but it is so by our choice in our free, republican form of government. That government will be just as strong or as weak as the people we choose to represent us, whether it be in Congress or as President of the nation. This business of voting is a "dish-washing" kind of job—it occurs regularly, it is routine, sometimes unpleasant—but still necessary to keep the house in order for the family and the nation.

"All over the nation there will be held this spring and summer the important Primary elections. These elections have a great significance for the thinking, independent voter because it is in these elections that we have our real opportunity to choose candidates for nomination to the ballot for election to Congress in the fall, and also to express, through our major parties, our representatives at the national party conventions. The importance of voting in primary elections cannot be stressed too strongly for church people for it is our opportunity to encourage and support people of ability and integrity for places on the ballot. A small vote in the primary allows the so-called "machine" vote to control them and thus the voter has little choice in the general elections which follow.

"We, as church women, have many concerns among the continuing problems confronting our Congress. A few of these are: control of the sale of alcoholic beverages, extension of educational advantages, social security for many not now covered, housing, postwar employment, the feeding of the world's starving children, juvenile protection, and, most important of all—the part the United States will play toward the formation of plans for World Peace. This Congress will be entrusted with forming the postwar economic policy for this nation, with all its attendant ramifications of world economic co-operation, which we recognize in its fullest import. We have been arousing our members' interest in this matter through the 'Crusade for a New World Order.' We must finish the job by the fullest participation of our church people in the choice of the men who will do this work for us. Some *real* work now to get out a strong vote from people concerned with these issues will do more than anything else to safeguard our republic and our civilization.

"Your doorbell has been rung many times lately by patriotic citizens, urging your support for various war efforts. We can render an equally important service by ringing some doorbells and reminding our neighbors and friends to consider the issues at stake, and to urge them to vote. Now is the time to start in all adult groups of our churches to see that everyone is qualified to vote. We all have many new members in our midst who may not know where to register, if it is necessary, and where to get good, nonpartisan information as well as party material. Many people fail to vote because they do not have the simple information about the rules.

"We have made great strides in the training of our people in many professions. Now we need a great body of "professional" citizens. We need

the services of people not connected with government, who will enter into research to find the truth, who will study to find the best methods for government to benefit the greatest number of people, and who will then set to work to make their information available to others that we may work as an informed public for the general welfare."

The January issue of *The Voice*, the publication of the Board of Temperance of The Methodist Church, contains a brief article on "Misleading Advertising," by J. C. Almack. This article refers to a campaign in the State of Oregon to ban certain kinds of subtle liquor advertising.

"First. Advertising that claims liquor is a food or a remedy for a disease or malady.

"Second. Advertising containing a recipe or formula for using the liquor advertised.

"Third. Advertisements that connect liquor with a seal, coat of arms, crest, award, medal, prize, or picture of a woman, child, or family scene.

"Fourth. Advertising associating liquor with a religious sign, symbol, holiday, or festival, etc."

Methodist women may follow this subtle propaganda one step further and work to ban the sale and use of cookbooks that list recipes including wine, rum, sherry, brandy, or other habit-forming alcoholic flavors. Requests are coming from various sections of the country, calling attention to the subtle methods being used by the liquor industry to make the use of alcoholic beverages a part of the "scheme of gracious living." The home is the first place to protect from this vicious influence.

As we continue to follow up the "Crusade for a New World Order" many vital issues will rear their heads. We are constantly reminded of our responsibility to "share" consumer goods in this whole *rationing* and price *control program*, a basic principle for building a New World Order. As good citizens we have a job to build a public mind within our own church and community groups.

Note the following statement from an OPA representative in Washington: "A special run of three million community price lists for groceries will be available for consumers at War Price and Rationing Boards in March. If you cannot get a set for use in your home, your public library will have a set for reference by April 1. Locate your ceiling price for your grocery list. Should the purchase price be higher than the ceiling price, call the matter to the attention of your groceryman. If he is unwilling to correct the error, report same to the price panel of your War, Price, and Rationing Board. . . . . Let us in our individual buying co-operate with the plans and programs that make price control a working program in the communities where we live."

You will be interested in the following new materials (order from the addresses given below):

Alcohol Education: *The Christian Advocate*, February 24, Temperance Issue. 740 Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Religious Education Association, 59 East Van Buren Street, Chicago, Illinois. "The Alcohol Problem—a Symposium." Price, $1.

"Alcohol"—Revised Edition. Price, 20 cents. Mary Lewis Reed, R.N., care of North River Press, 311 W. 43d Street, New York 18, N. Y.

The Social Questions Bulletin, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y. *Leaflet Series:*

Stop Inflation	Destroy Cartels
Secure Full Employment	Eliminate Discrimination
Get Enterprise Free	Extend Democracy.

Public Affairs Pamphlet, "The Smiths and Their Wartime Budgets." Price, 10 cents. Public Affairs Committee, Inc., 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York 20, N. Y.

More than one hundred daily and weekly newspapers across the country are now using each week the news column, "Women in the Church," announcement of which was made in the January issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN. The material of this column is furnished, free of charge, by the Department of News Service of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. The material concerns the church activities of women at home and abroad, and is of course interdenominational and international in scope. The column is confined to three hundred words for each week, usually in the form of two or three items of diversified news. It is *news* as distinguished from *comment* or *editorializing*.

Secretaries of Literature and Publication, or secretaries of Status of Women in local Woman's Society of Christian Service are urged to send for samples of this column and offer its use to editors of their local newspapers. The Department of News Service regrets that it cannot put individuals or local societies on its mailing list, but must confine the use of the column to newspapers or local church papers, the editors of whom have agreed to use the column in their publications.

Every woman in every church in your community will be interested in the timely information in this column. So send *today* to the Department of News Service, Board of Missions and Church Extension of The Methodist Church, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y., for a sample, show it to the editor, and have him agree to its use in his paper. Then notify the department and it will be sent the editor regularly. An art matrix heading is also furnished the editor as a *banner* for the column.

Summer School Opportunities for Woman's Societies of Christian Service

Mrs. Helen B. Bourne and Miss Helen L. Johnson
Secretaries, Woman's Section, Joint Division of Education and Cultivation

Jurisdiction Schools of Missions and Christian Service

Central Jurisdiction, Gulfside, Waveland, Mississippi ..... August 22-28
North Central Jurisdiction, DeKovan Foundation Retreat, Racine, Wisconsin ..... June 5-10
Northeastern Jurisdiction, Ocean Grove, New Jersey ..... June 24-July 1
South Central Jurisdiction, Mount Sequoyah, Fayetteville, Arkansas ..... July 3-13
Southeastern Jurisdiction, Lake Junaluska, North Carolina ..... July 25-August 2

Pastors' and Conference Training Schools

Alabama, Huntington College, Montgomery, Alabama ..... June 12-16
Arkansas, Hendrix College, Conway, Arkansas ..... June 19-30
Baltimore, Western Maryland College, Westminster, Maryland ..... July 3-10
Central Texas, Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas ..... June 19-26
Georgia, Wesleyan College, Macon, Georgia ..... May 29-June 2
Holston, Sullins College, Bristol, Virginia ..... June 12-17
Kansas, Baker University, Baldwin, Kansas ..... July 31-August 4
Louisiana, Southeastern Louisiana Institute, Hammond, Louisiana ..... June 5-9
Memphis, Lambuth College, Jackson, Tennessee ..... June 12-16
Mississippi, Co-Lin Junior College, Wesson, Mississippi ..... May 22-27
North Alabama, Snead Junior College, Boaz, Alabama ..... July 10-14
North Carolina, Greensboro College, Greensboro, North Carolina ..... May 29-June 3
North Mississippi, Wood Junior College, Mathiston, Mississippi ..... July 5-9
Texas, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas ..... July 3-14
Virginia, Randolph Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Virginia ..... June 12-17
West Virginia, Wesleyan College, Buckhannon, West Virginia ..... June 26-July 1

Conference Schools for Women

California and Southern California-Arizona, Camp Sierra, California ..... August 9-19
Secretaries of Missionary Education—Mrs. W. A. Root, 154 St. James Drive, Piedmont, California.
Mrs. William A. Tribble, 1096 West 4th Street, Pomona, California.

Central Pennsylvania, Newton-Hamilton, Pennsylvania ..... July 23-30
Dean, Mrs. Calvin P. Ginter, 2621 Sixth Avenue, Altoona, Pennsylvania.

Florida (Central Jurisdiction), Boylan-Haven School, Jacksonville, Florida ..... June 12-18
Director, Mrs. Mary Todd McKenzie, 1430 Davis Street, Jacksonville, Florida.

Genesee, Camp Wesleyan, Silver Lake, New York ..... July 9-16
Dean, Mrs. Floyd S. Field, 534 12th Street, Niagara Falls, New York.

Illinois, Me-Wo-Ca (Methodist Woman's Camp), Lewistown, Illinois ..... June 26-30
Dean, Mrs. C. D. Lawson, Aledo, Illinois.

Michigan, W. S. C. S. Institute, Albion, Michigan ..... June 20-22
Director, Mrs. W. Fleenor, Albion, Michigan.

Montana—
Yellowstone Institute, Livingston, Montana ..... July 10-16
King's Hill Institute, Neihart, Montana ..... July 17-23
Glacier Institute, Rollins, Montana ..... July 24-30
Director, Mrs. W. B. Spaulding, Box 1093, Missoula, Montana.

North Indiana, Epworth Forest Assembly, Webster Lake, Leesburg, Route 1, Indiana ..... July 2-8
Dean, Mrs. F. E. Fribley, 811 South Washington, Kokomo, Indiana.

North-East Ohio, Bethesda Summer School, Bethesda, Ohio ..... July 23-30
Director, Mrs. A. A. Hunter, 905 Beatty Ave., Cambridge, Ohio.

Northwest Indiana, School of Christian Living, Battle Ground, Indiana ..... July 9-16
Dean, Mrs. Henry M. Braun, Lowell, Indiana.

Northwest Iowa, Lake Okoboji Bible Conference, Methodist Camp, Spirit Lake, Iowa ..... July 30-August 6
Director, Woman's Section, Mrs. R. T. Rutledge, Storm Lake, Iowa.

Ohio, Lancaster School of Christian Service, Lancaster Camp Ground, Ohio ..... July 24-26
Dean, Mrs. L. Dale Davis, 2404 Abington Road, Columbus, Ohio.

Ohio, Sabina School of Christian Service, Sabina, Ohio ..... July 11-14
Chairman Program, Mrs. E. F. Andree, Wilmington, Ohio.

Ohio and North-East Ohio, Lakeside School of Christian Service, Lakeside, Ohio ..... July 16-22
Dean, Mrs. C. M. Waggoner, Wood Junior College, Mathiston, Mississippi.
Oregon, Smith Creek Camp, near Salem, Oregon ..... August 27-September 2
Director, Mrs. J. W. Bunch, 129 North 11th Street, Corvallis, Oregon.
Pittsburgh, School of Missions, Jumonville, Pennsylvania ..... July 15-22
Dean, Dr. John W. Hawley, 5415 Howe St., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
Associate Dean, Mrs. H. S. Metcalfe, 6632 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh 10, Pennsylvania.
Rock River, Des Plaines W. S. C. S. Institute, Des Plaines, Illinois ..... July 12-14
Dean, Mrs. Edmund D. Soper, 1202 Maple Avenue, Evanston, Illinois.
Savannah (Central Jurisdiction), Savannah Institute, Statesboro, Georgia ..... June
Dean, Mrs. Amanda Smith, 215 Johnson Street, Statesboro, Georgia.
South Carolina (Central Jurisdiction), Browning Home and Mather Academy, Camden, South Carolina ..... June 19-26
Dean, Mrs. Phyllis M. Gibbes, 26 Arlington Avenue, Greer, South Carolina.
Wisconsin, Camp Byron Summer School, Camp Byron, Wisconsin (near Fond du Lac) ..... July 9-14
Director, Mrs. J. G. Law, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.
For further information, write the dean or director or your Conference Secretary of Missionary Education.
Schools in which courses for Children's Workers are to be held will be announced later.

Interdenominational Schools

Geneva Summer School, Conference Point, Williams Bay, Wisconsin ..... August 6-13
Registrar, Miss Mabel Nienhuis, 135 South Cuyler Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois.
Northfield, East Northfield, Massachusetts ..... July 6-14
Chairman, Mrs. Francis D. Ellis, Farmington, Connecticut.
Rocky Mount Region, Summer Conference and School of Missions, Chautauqua Grounds, Boulder, Colorado .. June 25-July 1
Program Chairman, Mrs. M. Van Hall, 1034 St. Paul Street, Denver 6, Colorado.
Silver Bay Conference on the Christian World Mission ..... July 12-19
Chairman of the Program Committee, Dr. Karl Quimby, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y.
Winona Summer School of Missions, Winona Lake, Indiana ..... June 22-28
Dean, Mrs. M. E. Mather, 1508 Perry St., Des Plaines, Illinois.

Schools for Young Women and Girls

House Party, School of Missions, Kansas City, Missouri ..... Intermediates—June 13-20; Seniors—June 20-27
Dean, Mrs. Claire Hester, Baxter Springs, Kansas.
Camp Wesleyan, Minneapolis, Minnesota ..... June 18-25
Dean, Mrs. J. E. Sanderson, 4238 N. Vincent, Minneapolis 12, Minnesota.
Mather Camp, Central Jurisdiction, Camden, South Carolina ..... June 19-26
Dean, Mrs. P. M. Gibbes, 26 Arlington Avenue, Greer, South Carolina.
Illinois Conference, Camp Me-Gi-Ca, Lewiston, Illinois ..... June 26-30
Dean, Mrs. Lowell B. Hazzard, 1206 North Prairie, Bloomington, Illinois.
Camp Yo-Pe-Mi-Ca, Epworth Forest, Indiana ..... July 1-8
Dean, Miss Brittie Baker, Albion, Indiana.
Camp Wyogimisca, Laplume, Pennsylvania ..... July 3-10
Dean, Mrs. W. J. Dubrick, 12 Liberty Street, Sidney, New York.
Pittsburgh Conference, Jumonville, Pennsylvania ..... July 8-15
Dean, Mrs. D. N. Ensell, 1544 McFarland Road, Pittsburgh 16, Pennsylvania.
3M, Battleground, Indiana ..... July 9-15
Dean, Mrs. Henry M. Braun, Lowell, Indiana.
Camp Wesleyan, Silver Lake, New York ..... July 9-16
Dean, Mrs. Floyd S. Field, 534 12th Street, Niagara Falls, New York.
Camp Innabah, Philadelphia Conference ..... July 15-22
Dean, Mrs. Paul G. Masters, Huntington Valley, Pennsylvania.
Girls' School, Lakeside, Ohio ..... July 16-23
Dean, Mrs. Carl S. Bechberger, 2681 Ashley Road, Shaker Heights, Ohio.
Carrie Barge House Party, Newton Hamilton, Pennsylvania ..... July 23-30
Dean, Mrs. L. P. Greenawalt, 3899 North Front Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.
Camp Inspiration, Aurora, Illinois ..... July 23-30
Dean, Mrs. H. E. Mann, 136 Augusta Street, DeKalb, Illinois.
Methodist Girls' Camp, Camp Radford, California ..... July 29-August 5
Dean, Mrs. Guy Young, 1517-A Rock Glenn, Glendale, California.
Detroit Conference, World Fellowship Camp, Waldenwoods, Michigan ..... July 30-August 6
Dean, Mrs. Howard Young, 5557 Whitfield Avenue, Detroit 4, Michigan.
Camp Dempster, New Haven, New York ..... July 1-8
Dean, Mrs. O. J. Mowry, Minetto, New York.
Camp Evergreen, Lexington Conference, Piqua, Ohio .....
Dean, Mrs. W. H. Wallace, 3288 Beresford Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio.

For further information, correspond with the Conference Secretary of Youth Work.

Note: In addition to the above list a goodly number of Youth Fellowship Institutes and Assemblies will have regular class periods dealing with the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. This is a new plan for many summer agencies and we are delighted with the fine spirit of co-operation which is being shown.

Ten Minutes With the Annual Report

Mrs. V. F. DeVinny, *Secretary of Organization and Promotion*

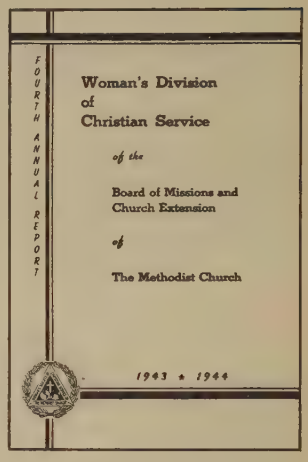
THE *Annual Report of the Woman's Division of Christian Service* should be the most widely used publication of the Division except, perhaps, the magazines. Notwithstanding, the sale of this valuable book, in comparison with the numbers who should have and use it, is negligible and gives rise to the question, "Why isn't the Annual Report our 'best seller'?"

Since the new Report is now ready for circulation it seems an opportune time to ask this question and similarly, to attempt to answer it. To our way of thinking the answer is simple—our women do not consider the Annual Report as a working tool or as good program material, when in fact it can be both. The Annual Report is a veritable reference library of the work of the Division to which one may turn for valuable data on practically every line of work—administrative, promotional, educational, and financial. Every officer of the division, jurisdiction, conference, district, and local society should own her personal copy and every local society should have a copy and make it accessible to the membership.

Furthermore, the Annual Report can be made the source of splendid program material of an informational nature, something in addition to the material contained in the regular program booklet. To whet the appetite for a better working knowledge of the Woman's Division why not try using ten minutes at each regular meeting for a presentation of information from the Annual Report? Begin by introducing the officers and staff members of the Division, a list of which is printed on pages 6 and 7. To make these introductions more effective, have some members of the local society impersonate these persons, tell where they live and their duties (see By-laws in the back of the book).

At another meeting the members of the Woman's Division could be introduced and a short resume of how Board members are elected, their specific duties as they relate to the Woman's Division and to the departments of the Division, and the committees they serve upon. Mention particularly those Board members elected to the Division from the Jurisdiction of which your society is a part. This information can also be found on pages 8 and 9 and in the By-laws of the Division in the back of the book.

Upon another occasion, to better understand the relationship of the Woman's Division to other agencies and boards of the Protestant churches, assign someone to read the lists on pages 15 and 16 and highlight some interesting items regarding these agencies. For example: our relationship to the United Council of Church Women, The Home Missions Council of North America, the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, Union colleges, and so forth.



The Minutes of the Third Annual Meeting held at Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania, December 3-11, 1943, found on pages 17 to 67, could be reviewed in a ten-minute period at another meeting, stressing new legislation and significant action taken for the advancement of the work.

Pointing up the work of the three departments should prove intriguing to the members. Of necessity this would have to be spread over several successive months in order to adequately present all that is contained in the Annual Report about fields of work. These assignments should be given to people who will study the reports carefully and illustrate their talks with the map showing the fields of work and with posters made of pictures of buildings and people (see THE METHODIST WOMAN and the WORLD OUTLOOK for this material). For another program have the various classifications of workers in our institutions and projects carefully explained. Give the total number and witness the astonishment of the members. These lists can be found on pages 104-122, 169-180.

The report of the treasurer of the Division, if properly presented, can be a most fascinating feature of any program. Make the figures come alive.

Reviewing the section of the Annual Report devoted to the activities of the editors and the publication manager, and the secretaries of the Woman's Section of the Joint Division would give a clearer understanding of the many ramifications in this field of education and cultivation. Statistical tables and reports of standing committees should not be overlooked, particularly such items as may be of interest to the local society in the prosecution of its work.

The Constitution and By-laws of the Woman's Division and its constituent parts are not particularly fitted for program material but every officer of a local society should be familiar with these Constitutions and By-laws, particularly those which relate to the local Woman's Society as found on pages 301-305.

The roster in the back of the book with the list of jurisdiction and conference officers, as well as that in the opening pages, is a revelation of the number of women who have accepted responsibility for lines of work in administrative and organizational places of leadership. Added to these are the officers of the more than five hundred districts whose names do not appear and those of more than twenty-five thousand local societies. All of these, from the president of the Division down to the humblest officer in the smallest local society, have a vital place of leadership in the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

If you have not already done so, order your Annual Report at once, then make systematic, intelligent use of it and your society will have more intelligent and interested officers and members. (See page 32 for price.)

Summer Service for Students

By Mrs. Lenore E. Porter, *Secretary*

Information on the Youth Caravans

Up to the present time requests for eighty-five Caravans to serve in sixty annual conferences have been received. Local churches desiring the services of a Caravan should either write to the executive secretary of their conference Board of Education, or to Mr. Walter Towner, 810 Broadway, Nashville 2, Tennessee.

Adults interested in serving as a counselor to a Caravan should communicate with their executive secretary, or write Mr. Towner. Students interested should write Mr. Harvey C. Brown, same address.

There will be six Caravan Training Centers to which the young people will go for a week's intensive training prior to beginning their seven-week itinerary of service in a given annual conference. The young person may select the training center which he attends. The Caravan begins with the place of training listed below:

EAST OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER

June 10-17—Epworth Forest, Leesburg, Indiana.
June 17-24—Lake Junaluska, North Carolina (Methodist Assembly Grounds).
June 24-July 1—Camp Innabah, Pottstown, Pennsylvania.

WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER

June 10-17—Glenlake Methodist Assembly, Glenrose, Tex.
June 17-24—Simpson College, Indianola, Iowa.
July 1-8—Pacific Slope (place to be determined).

Student secretaries are requested to interest students in, as well as to help place and receive caravans into their churches.

Summer Schools for Professional Workers

(Credit will be given to those holding degrees. Others may audit.) Mrs. Lenore E. Porter will co-operate in presenting the Missions materials and the correlated program of the Methodist Student Movement.

June 19-July 20—Garrett Biblical Institute.
June 13-July 20—Emory University.
July 1-20—University of Southern California.

The Lisle Fellowship

June 7-July 19—Lisle, New York.
June 21-September 1—Lookout Mountain.
June 21-September 1—Pacific Palisades.

Volunteer Service to Churches in Defense Areas

Camps are being set up for students to assist pastors. One such is located in Hartford, Connecticut, July 10–August 5. Write, The Student Office, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y.

Other Opportunities for Volunteer Service

Migrant and Sharecropper areas. Write to Miss Edith Lowry, Home Missions Council, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Volunteer Social and Group Work Service in Home Mission Centers

The Board of Missions and Church Extension of The Methodist Church offers opportunities in Missions Schools and Colleges, Settlements, Group Work Agencies, Community Centers, Vacation Church Schools, and in mountain and in other rural areas.

The Methodist Youth Fellowship Camps

The Methodist Youth Fellowship is sponsoring work camps at Adrian College, Adrian, Michigan, and at Pine Brook, Dearborn, Michigan. Also a School of Evangelism in Mississippi the first part of July. Write Mr. Harold Bremer, 810 Broadway, Nashville 2, Tennessee.

Student Secretaries are expected to attend also the Jurisdiction and other schools of Missions and of Christian Social Relations as listed elsewhere in this magazine.

On any of the above, write to THE STUDENT OFFICE, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y.

Wesleyan Service Guild

Marion Lela Norris, *Secretary*

Europe's Dying Children

"A SKELETON sat at the conference of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration meeting in Atlantic City to consider relief to occupied nations after liberation—a hideously grinning skeleton which said: 'I represent more human beings dead or dying from starvation than Hitler's armies have slain on the battlefield. We will not need relief after liberation, but some of us you could save now.' To the skeleton, the head of the conference, former Governor Lehman replied, 'You are not on the agenda.' But the skeleton sat there, in the minds of the delegates if not on their lips. Like Banquo's ghost it would not *avaunt.*"

The skeleton still sits with us. "As a free gift from Canada, Greece receives 15,000 tons of grain a month while the United States sends 3,600 tons of dehydrated vegetables and dried milk monthly. The Germans do not take any of this food, the operation is of no benefit to Axis economy, and it does prevent the extinction of the Greeks. If it is right to save the Greek children, why not the children of the other Nazi occupied countries? So far Greece is the *only country* to which the American and British governments will permit the sending of food through the blockade." Children in France, Belgium, Norway, and Holland also need food.

"Will you help save these innocent children? Write a letter or card to the President, the Secretary of State, your Congressman, and your two Senators, urging immediate action to get food to them. They are dying every day."*

The bill to feed these children has been passed by the Senate, but at the same time Britain's blockade has been extended. There is urgent need that the people of the United States continue to send letters expressing approval of the Senate's action, congratulations that the bill has been passed, and the hope that the President and Secretary of State will use their influence to see that the blockade is lifted in order that Europe's dying children may be rescued.

Guild Reports

The Standing Committee has recently checked over the helpful suggestions received from local unit, district, conference, and jurisdiction officers of Wesleyan Service Guild and Woman's Society of Christian Service, for revision of Guild report blanks.

Careful attention has been given by Guild and Woman's Division to the harmonization of the report blanks.

The result is new report blanks for both the corresponding secretary and the treasurer of local units.

Henceforth all local units will receive their report blanks from the conference Guild secretaries (*not* from Literature Headquarters). As soon as the blanks came off the press sample copies were sent to each conference Guild secretary, who was requested to order a supply for immediate use and to send them on to the units within her conference. If your unit has not received its report blanks, write your conference Guild secretary (see 1944 Guild *Handbook*, pages 89-92).

There are three new blanks:

1. *Corresponding secretary's report blanks,* to be made out in duplicate, one to be sent to district (or conference) Guild secretary, the other to be retained by the local unit. The semi-annual report is due July 1; the annual report (for the entire year) is due January 1. (See instructions on blanks.)

2. *Treasurer's report blanks:*

A. Remittance blanks, to be made out in duplicate. The original should be sent with each remittance to the treasurer of the local Woman's Society of Christian Service, who sends both monies and remittance blanks to the district (or conference) treasurer of the Woman's Society. The duplicate is kept on file by the treasurer of the local unit, after figures have been transferred to Record Sheet B.

B. Record Sheet, to be made out in duplicate. This record sheet is to simplify the work of the treasurer of the local unit. Each remittance is to be entered from Remittance Blank A, and the record sheet kept up to date, so that to give a report at any time is merely a matter of totaling the columns.

Treasurer's reports should be sent according to instructions on the record sheet: On June 20, the treasurer of the local unit sends a *statement* of the first six months' totals to her district (or conference) Guild secretary (no blank needed). On December 20, she sends the carbon copy of the complete record sheet to her district (or conference) Guild secretary.

* Quotations from "Strategy and Humanity of Rescuing the Dying Children of Europe," by Dr. Howard E. Kershner. Address over Columbia Broadcasting System at 9:45 a.m., Eastern War Time, November 24, 1943.

Note: The reverse side of the record sheet is to be used for listing supplies, special memberships, and other miscellaneous gifts.

Cultivation Fund

The Wesleyan Service Guild cultivation fund (by request of the Standing Committee and vote of the Woman's Division of Christian Service at its annual meeting in December, 1943) has been harmonized with that of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Each local Guild is asked to include in its budget, and send through the regular channels, at least as much for cultivation fund as it paid in 1943. Each conference, however, will determine the amount needed to promote properly the work of the Wesleyan Service Guild in the coming months. Many conferences will doubtless feel it necessary to increase this fund in order to interest a larger number of gainfully employed women in Guild membership.

Geographical distances and Guild needs vary in different jurisdictions and conferences. It is suggested that the Conference Guild Committee, in consultation with the conference president and treasurer, or the executive committee of the conference, consider carefully the needs of the Guild and together determine both amount needed and method of securing Guild cultivation fund. This may be either a stated sum per capita or a given per cent of the pledge.

Write your conference Guild secretary for a statement of the method of procedure in your conference.

Guild News

A conference Guild secretary writes: "Members of a new unit I have just organized said, 'We've been wishing for something like this ever since our Queen Esther days.'" . . . . Another smaller group, which has been considering the Guild but just organized, is excited about the Guild projects right off!

"One unit took for its standard at the beginning of the year, 'The World to Serve,' and asked, 'What can we do, small as we are, to help the endless and vital cause of missions?' Their annual report shows how they have carried this standard into the work of each committee, each monthly program, and the various items of the budget, and closes thus, 'The World to Serve—surely with our hearts and minds at peace with one another, and with a will to do our part, we, the Wesleyan Service Guild of First Church, may hope for a bright future.'"

Electrotypes of the Guild emblem (same size as above) and photograph copies (size 9¼x2½) will be loaned to any Guild group at 25 cents each, for such use as special programs, announcements, invitations, and letterheads. Write the Guild Office, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y.

Jurisdiction Summer Schools

Plans are now under way for the 1944 Jurisdiction Summer Schools. At each the Wesleyan Service Guild is planning to have a class of special interest to employed women which will carry Board of Education credit. This is an excellent way to combine a good vacation in a delightful spot—on ocean, lake, or in the mountains—in the fine fellowship of both Guild and Woman's Society members—with something mentally and spiritually stimulating.

For those who cannot spend the week or ten days away from work, there will be a special Week-end Guild Conference at each jurisdiction school, and probably in some conference schools. The Guild page in subsequent issues of THE METHODIST WOMAN will give further details of both the credit course and the Week-end Guild Conferences.

Guild Defense Work

Miss Eleanor Neff, the Guild worker in defense areas, has had a very profitable time in her first assignment by the Woman's Division of Christian Service at Richmond, Virginia, and is now starting her work in the Chicago area.

The many friends of Miss Ruth Esther Wheaton, Field Worker of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, will be happy to learn of her marriage on December 22, 1943, to Mr. Clarence A. Meeker, mayor of Medford, Oregon. The ceremony was performed in the lovely chapel of the Methodist Church, Medford, Oregon.

Miss Wheaton endeared herself to Methodist women throughout the church in her capacity as field worker. Because of her fine, capable work, problems of uniting work in local church, district, conference, and jurisdiction was made easier.

The Woman's Division gave a tea in honor of Miss Wheaton, Miss Ransom, and Mrs. Hager at Buck Hill Falls. Then just before Christmas staff members gathered before a lovely Christmas tree in the office of Mrs. V. F. DeVinny, Executive Secretary of the Woman's Section of the Joint Division of Education and Cultivation, and presented to Miss Wheaton a lovely silver tray in the name of the staff and friends.

Program Suggestions for June

Topic: Rural Work in Mexico

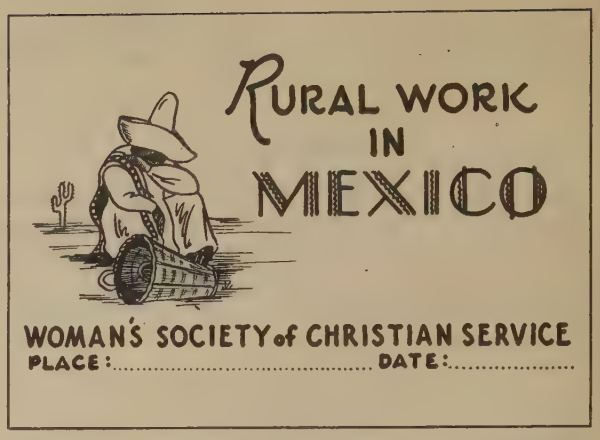
By Juanita Brown

Purpose.—Through study and worship members of the local society at its June meeting should become well acquainted with the work of the Woman's Division of Christian Service with children, young people, and women in its three rural centers of Mexico. Everyone present should learn just how many rural centers there are, where they are located, what types of work they are promoting, and more important than this factual knowledge, she should have a new appreciation and understanding of the Mexican families who are constantly crossing the border to become citizens of the United States. This program should result in a sincere desire to be neighbors to Mexicans, wherever one meets them; it should help each person participating in the program to hold herself in readiness to express this desire in whatever opportunity may come to her. It may be that the society will plan to send supplies to one of the rural centers in Mexico. (For information as to such possible needs, write your conference secretary of Supply Work.) Wherever this program is used in towns or cities in which Mexicans live, there will be ample opportunity for practical expression of neighborliness—on street cars, on buses, in stores; through participation in service projects of churches, settlements, etc. Those local societies far removed from the Mexican border and perhaps therefore from the possibility of any personal relationship with Mexican people, in loving thought can lift them in prayer for God's blessing upon them, their problems, and the work of the centers with them.

Setting.—On a large wall map of Mexico at the front of the room and (or also) on small individual maps for each person present, the three rural centers should be located. (Order "The Methodist Church in Latin America," a large wall map, from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati 2, Ohio, or from Circulation Department, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y., for 25 cents.) Cortazar is in the state of Guanajuato, which is northeast of Mexico City. General Terán is near the center of the state of Nuevo León, and Reynosa is in the state of Tamaulipas, just south of the border and about sixty miles west of Brownsville, Texas. (Ramos Arizpe is only a few miles from Saltillo, in the state of Coahuila.)

Worship and Program.— There should be no consciousness of where the worship service ends and the program begins, as the two sets of materials should be so interwoven, and so permeated by a spirit of worship, that they should be thought of as one service. (The Worship Committee should decide where the "talks" should be introduced, what elements of the printed service should be used, and what omitted.) If the book, *Some Spanish-American Poets,* translated by Alice Stone Blackwell, may be borrowed from a public library and a good reader secured, the worship service might be composed largely of the beautiful poetry of Amado Nervo, Joaquin Gomez Vergara, and others.

The Presentation of the Program.—The "talks" in this program are authentic, having been written by the workers on the field. Perhaps the most attractive way of presenting them would be through the impersonation of the workers, each telling her story in the first person. The Program Committee will be interested in knowing that since the program booklet was printed, Miss Reyes (pronounced Rayas) has been transferred to a rural town in northern Mexico, Reynosa (see above for location). (A picture of Miss Reyes and a few facts about her may be found in Volume 1, page 92, of *The Unseen Guest,* 10 cents; and pictures of Miss Baird and of Miss Deavours and brief information about them and a picture of Miss Ingrum, who is referred to in the program booklet, pages 75, 57, and 28 of Volume II of *The Unseen Guest,* 15 cents. Order from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati 2, Ohio.)



A suggestion for poster and invitations for April meeting

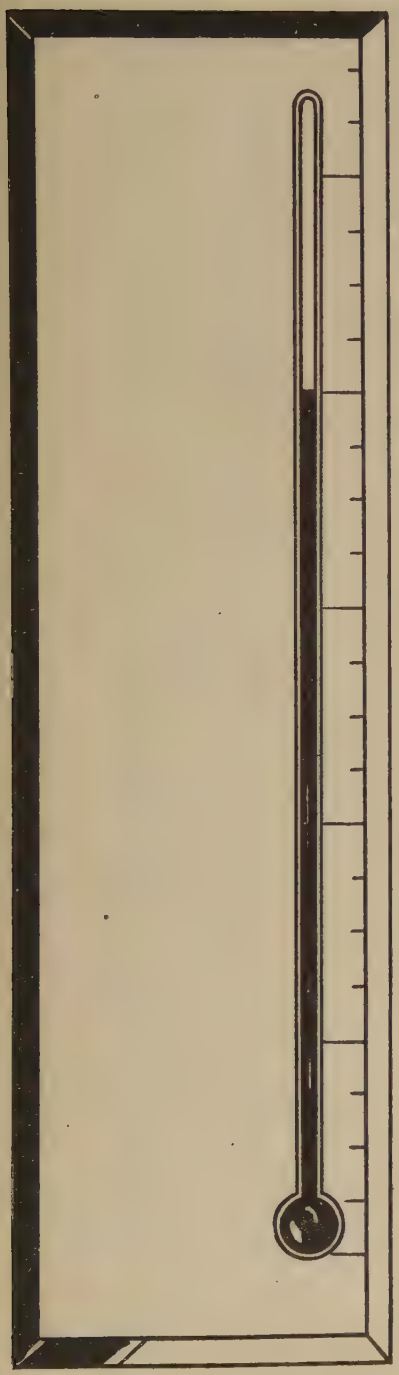
The story of "Social Work in Ramos Arizpe" should be told as it is in the program booklet, except that it should be presented in the past tense. And then the following information should be added. Last November (since the program booklet was printed) Miss Reyes was transferred from Ramos Arizpe to Reynosa, where the people are unusually liberal and open-minded and were eager to have a social worker and to co-operate with her. A missionary tells the following story:

"Miss Elodia Guerra, sister of Bishop Eleazar Guerra, was born near Reynosa. She received part of her education in Reynosa but later studied in the Bible Department of Roberts College (now closed) in Saltillo, Mexico. She became a deaconess and gave part of her years of service in Reynosa and the surrounding rural districts. If deaconesses could have been preachers, she certainly would have been one. She also spent several years in Texas in evangelistic work, helping the late Rev. F. S. Onderdonk, who considered her one of the best workers in that section of Texas. Later she married, lived near Reynosa for a few years, then moved to Saltillo, where after having been there for about a year, she died. The Bishop, her brother, and relatives and friends on both sides of the Rio Grande, have wanted for some years to build a church in Reynosa to her memory. They and others and the Board of Missions have contributed toward the building of a church, and now it is about ready for dedication. The Methodist Church of Missions, Texas, has pledged support of the pastor in Reynosa. When Bishop Guerra began plans for the church he also hoped eventually to have a "Centro Social" (social center or settlement house). The missionaries who were serving on the Council of Co-operation who had known his sister and loved her, looked with favor upon the idea. The questions were: Who would the person be who could open social work? and Where would the funds come from? There was no one available and there were no funds. After long consideration it was decided that the deaconess and the appropriation for Ramos Arizpe might be given larger opportunities for service if transferred to Reynosa."

A letter from Miss Reyes in mid-February (1944) indicates that she is living in a small rented house and is happy in her new work. She already has organized some classes and clubs for recreation and study, she has a daily kindergarten club, and she is visiting in the homes, studying the community, and planning additional work.

(See page 13 for additional resource materials for June program.)

Financial Temperature of the Woman's Society of Christian Service



1943—Income from Conference Woman's Societies of Christian Service ... $3,241,931.44

1942—Income from Conference Woman's Societies of Christian Service $3,057,348.96

Increase $184,582.48

Week of Prayer and Self-Denial Offering

1943 ..... $195,955.89

1942 ..... 130,149.62

Increase $65,806.27

WOMAN'S DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE—BOARD OF MISS

Mrs. Ina Davis F

Jurisdiction	CONFERENCE INCOME FOR APPROPRIATIONS BY DEPARTMENTS						
	Adult	W. S. G.	Total Paid on Pledge	Total Pledged 1943	Student	Youth Work	Chi
North Central:							
Central Northwest							
Dakota	$9,426.15	$299.16	$9,725.31	$8,300.00		$67.00	
Detroit	75,112.83	3,032.56	78,145.39	68,756.00	$.57	2,240.73	
Illinois	76,321.62	2,789.81	79,111.43	80,000.00	21.00	1,572.29	
Indiana	55,375.72	3,192.72	58,568.44	54,500.00	3.00	1,534.92	1,
Iowa-Des Moines	56,016.81	1,850.17	57,866.98	49,000.00		599.13	
Michigan	45,980.00	2,914.48	48,894.48	46,200.00		1,112.12	
Minnesota	21,165.87	841.00	22,006.87	20,200.00		257.98	
North Dakota	8,435.84	238.75	8,674.59	7,095.00		123.06	
North Indiana	47,485.82	2,104.15	49,589.97	45,550.00		2,279.10	1,
North-East Ohio	114,843.39	3,999.82	118,843.21	108,700.00	34.50	2,501.73	1,
North Minnesota	27,234.38	1,722.42	28,956.80	25,183.00		774.36	
Northwest Indiana	25,220.55	1,308.98	26,529.53	25,500.00		1,015.38	
Northwest Iowa	23,572.81	819.32	24,392.13	22,000.00	85.25	236.78	
Norwegian-Danish	1,371.03	71.80	1,442.83	-1,650.00			
Ohio	139,511.87	5,422.65	144,934.52	141,000.00	25.00	2,515.76	1,
Rock River	84,418.88	4,984.70	89,403.58	88,940.00		1,779.21	
Southern Illinois	24,839.28	1,434.92	26,274.20	24,000.00		726.89	
Upper Iowa	30,166.95	465.81	30,632.76	25,500.00		494.45	
West Wisconsin	13,253.42	475.90	13,729.32	12,500.00		208.65	
Wisconsin	21,524.61	596.89	22,121.50	20,000.00		189.39	
Northeastern:							
Baltimore	72,165.57	1,815.72	73,981.29	65,850.00	50.00	586.56	
Central New York	35,848.96	628.58	36,477.54	34,000.00		492.61	
Central Pennsylvania	38,785.65	709.35	39,495.00	39,495.00		321.29	
East German	854.99	51.00	905.99	450.00		63.00	
Erie	48,944.10	272.10	49,216.20	47,000.00		610.90	
Genesee	38,936.85	885.67	39,822.52	37,500.00	4.00	423.41	
Maine	5,363.14		5,363.14	6,000.00		49.26	
New England	27,830.55	552.17	28,382.72	26,500.00		181.53	
New England Southern	13,607.61	7.25	13,614.86	11,000.00		67.64	
New Hampshire	4,157.14	68.42	4,225.56	4,000.00		35.00	
New Jersey	30,204.90	790.25	30,995.15	28,000.00	15.00	449.86	
New York	23,326.73	828.76	24,155.49	28,100.00	5.00	424.40	
New York East	35,309.80	1,238.20	36,548.00	36,500.00		310.12	
Newark	37,855.92	1,080.83	38,936.75	40,000.00		502.89	
Northern New York	21,168.11	338.00	21,506.11	21,500.00	5.00	473.65	
Peninsula	22,058.11	44.53	22,102.64	20,000.00	25.00	366.19	
Philadelphia	56,516.10	2,567.49	59,083.59	55,000.00		1,418.02	
Pittsburgh	75,824.76	1,282.98	77,107.74	73,000.00		1,458.43	
Troy	31,983.51	622.88	32,606.39	32,500.00		207.58	
West Virginia	58,314.71	2,257.79	60,572.50	60,000.00	5.82	939.89	
Wyoming	34,659.78		34,659.78	32,000.00		161.50	
Puerto Rico Provisional	40.00		40.00				
South Central:							
Central Kansas	53,613.54	2,625.00	56,238.54	52,500.00	4.00	1,133.34	
Central Texas	27,878.00	1,587.00	29,465.00	26,500.00	33.25	424.02	
East Oklahoma	19,142.66	801.00	19,943.66	19,950.00		309.40	
Indian Mission	344.73	8.77	353.50	325.00			
Kansas	36,392.35	2,082.91	38,475.26	36,000.00		614.55	
Little Rock	24,148.37	1,538.86	25,687.23	23,576.00	12.50	797.96	
Louisiana	34,536.02	1,772.27	36,308.29	32,300.00		428.78	
Missouri	15,833.94	421.52	16,255.46	15,000.00	8.50	112.88	
Nebraska	45,008.26	1,684.99	46,693.25	45,000.00		536.88	
New Mexico	6,882.81	1,141.78	8,024.59	6,700.00	37.33	81.79	
North Arkansas	19,335.45	1,314.55	20,650.00	20,500.00		293.88	
North Texas	28,664.20	550.00	29,214.20	27,639.00		250.00	
Northwest Texas	23,120.35	1,088.79	24,209.14	22,500.00	5.00	1,260.16	
St. Louis	24,823.95	1,176.05	26,000.00	26,000.00	10.00	169.09	
Southwest Mexican	408.93		408.93	350.00		79.80	
Southwest Missouri	25,558.43	1,732.35	27,290.78	27,000.00		297.09	
Southwest Texas	29,901.27	1,718.26	31,619.53	30,000.00		406.76	
Texas	36,770.68	1,624.94	38,395.62	33,950.00	5.00	624.54	
West Oklahoma	29,437.07	1,662.93	31,100.00	30,720.00		476.61	
Southeastern:							
Alabama	29,303.58	1,818.83	31,122.41	28,337.00	15.75	295.39	
Florida	52,632.70	2,560.60	55,193.30	52,000.00		1,149.30	

l for riations 43	Total for Appropriations 1942	DIVISION OF TOTAL RECEIPTS: General Appropriations	Conference Work	Total for Appropriations 1943	Week of Prayer	Supplies	Cultivation ¼ of 1c Per Member	Misc.	Total Receipts
.....	$2,366.54	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
,872.43	9,664.48	$9,872.43	.....	$9,872.43	$412.35	$324.22	$20.00	$55.00	$10,684.00
,954.20	75,687.45	76,235.20	$4,719.00	80,954.20	1,567.52	2,422.20	50.00	140.00	85,133.92
,438.62	77,585.35	66,726.64	14,711.98	81,438.62	2,198.93	1,692.93	62.37	6,541.37	91,934.22
,122.14	56,262.73	57,716.14	3,406.00	61,122.14	2,235.22	1,299.43	52.50	161.20	64,870.49
,839.74	52,495.30	54,862.74	3,977.00	58,839.74	2,064.19	1,159.15	78.33	82.00	62,223.41
,789.77	45,760.04	47,859.77	2,930.00	50,789.77	1,680.51	1,276.82	57.00	50.00	53,854.10
,512.14	25,605.21	22,512.14	.....	22,512.14	372.47	733.85	18.11	310.75	23,947.32
,890.49	8,454.71	8,890.49	.....	8,890.49	391.49	586.20	8.03	.....	9,876.21
,959.62	52,588.60	47,559.62	5,400.00	52,959.62	2,261.39	2,523.44	55.91	16.00	57,816.36
,817.09	119,657.03	102,304.17	20,512.92	122,817.09	3,485.28	2,242.07	80.23	1,555.63	130,180.30
,917.39	26,689.57	29,917.39	.....	29,917.39	721.72	328.07	25.85	2.00	30,995.03
,878.91	28,994.25	27,628.91	250.00	27,878.91	963.70	810.61	47.73	3.00	29,703.95
,904.92	23,690.99	22,304.92	2,600.00	24,904.92	1,151.27	471.85	103.90	1,061.40	27,693.34
,448.33	2,311.83	1,448.33	.....	1,448.33	5.00	61.69	6.70	.....	1,521.72
,024.46	145,176.20	134,497.41	14,527.05	149,024.46	3,229.07	3,837.09	150.00	959.00	157,199.62
,057.50	89,096.43	86,517.68	5,539.82	92,057.50	1,460.15	1,236.97	67.09	.....	94,821.71
,267.70	26,580.12	25,267.70	2,000.00	27,267.70	1,475.45	698.56	25.00	.....	29,466.71
,381.23	29,909.81	30,981.23	400.00	31,381.23	1,100.83	891.09	37.98	81.31	33,492.44
,972.97	13,302.94	12,544.81	1,428.16	13,972.97	321.84	282.78	47.09	328.53	14,953.21
,406.56	21,242.92	22,406.56	.....	22,406.56	835.98	746.46	23.82	.....	24,012.82
,878.27	71,806.94	66,791.62	8,086.65	74,878.27	3,283.64	1,521.20	57.00	165.00	79,905.11
,088.79	37,531.69	36,135.79	953.00	37,088.79	558.25	788.48	35.00	10.00	38,480.52
,952.75	39,152.25	32,577.38	7,375.37	39,952.75	746.65	1,004.47	56.64	75.00	41,835.51
972.99	2,366.93	972.99	.....	972.99	24.00	.....	.....	13.00	1,009.99
,272.45	50,686.13	37,802.34	12,470.11	50,272.45	1,038.33	1,806.11	41.33	6,522.75	59,680.97
,478.80	39,221.15	35,488.47	4,990.33	40,478.80	812.31	806.31	34.37	65.00	42,196.79
,425.15	5,813.78	5,048.15	377.00	5,425.15	170.49	180.47	10.58	.....	5,786.69
,687.41	24,210.30	22,677.41	6,010.00	28,687.41	68.87	892.86	28.98	142.50	29,820.62
,711.96	12,858.90	11,461.96	2,250.00	13,711.96	412.11	98.50	15.00	.....	14,237.57
,280.91	4,468.30	4,280.91	.....	4,280.91	109.30	32.65	8.75	.....	4,431.61
,678.23	31,304.19	28,303.20	3,375.03	31,678.23	465.04	804.86	36.42	199.88	33,184.43
,786.82	25,328.95	24,786.82	.....	24,786.82	398.23	669.48	44.38	20.00	25,918.91
,055.65	37,958.70	34,424.60	2,631.05	37,055.65	718.02	511.35	34.20	662.17	38,981.39
,913.87	38,877.93	37,588.87	2,325.00	39,913.87	533.63	653.04	30.00	575.00	41,705.54
,082.13	21,395.90	22,082.13	.....	22,082.13	581.81	223.55	.....	300.00	23,187.49
,622.87	23,363.21	18,508.01	4,114.86	22,622.87	615.22	623.41	44.29	80.00	23,985.79
,060.00	61,300.00	50,670.98	10,389.02	61,060.00	800.00	882.80	45.72	4,060.00	66,848.52
,481.58	76,902.80	68,039.90	11,441.68	79,481.58	2,177.06	657.06	56.78	1,738.31	84,110.79
,902.94	33,175.77	32,902.94	.....	32,902.94	582.46	448.80	37.50	416.40	34,388.10
,069.35	61,101.40	54,202.71	7,866.64	62,069.35	5,989.04	2,534.41	59.40	3,194.40	73,846.60
,892.78	33,608.97	29,677.78	5,215.00	34,892.78	481.07	547.50	35.00	200.00	36,156.35
40.00	.....	40.00	.....	40.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	40.00
,086.64	57,226.44	55,036.64	3,050.00	58,086.64	2,392.51	2,217.89	59.00	16.20	62,772.24
,133.82	24,688.63	30,133.82	.....	30,133.82	3,368.27	1,342.69	21.88	90.00	34,956.66
,391.94	19,075.15	20,391.94	.....	20,391.94	2,405.73	950.38	17.59	6.50	23,772.14
360.57	292.48	360.57	.....	360.57	34.47	2.00	2.69	.....	399.73
,446.23	36,091.04	36,684.23	2,762.00	39,446.23	964.56	1,237.69	53.00	171.00	41,872.48
,567.39	23,332.08	26,567.39	.....	26,567.39	2,586.72	770.70	20.90	.....	29,945.71
,811.24	33,361.03	36,811.24	.....	36,811.24	4,383.50	4,406.83	22.50	.....	45,624.07
,405.39	14,855.60	16,405.39	.....	16,405.39	1,642.15	1,148.72	43.12	154.05	19,393.43
,491.37	41,275.19	43,591.37	3,900.00	47,491.37	2,036.86	1,999.41	52.50	.....	51,580.14
,169.05	3,545.85	8,169.05	.....	8,169.05	2,155.93	523.83	9.86	100.00	10,958.67
,996.41	20,408.88	20,996.41	.....	20,996.41	2,396.92	1,483.21	25.00	3,083.89	27,985.43
,569.20	25,277.60	29,569.20	.....	29,569.20	4,339.85	1,110.81	25.00	1,000.00	36,044.86
,600.11	22,120.74	25,600.11	.....	25,600.11	4,454.26	3,921.15	18.31	5.00	33,998.83
,370.92	24,573.67	26,370.92	.....	26,370.92	2,341.52	1,013.70	25.00	.....	29,751.14
516.51	488.91	516.51	.....	516.51	318.53	.....	.....	.....	835.04
,832.31	26,999.25	25,262.96	2,569.35	27,832.31	1,859.87	1,897.34	29.48	43.02	31,662.02
,117.62	31,220.28	32,117.62	.....	32,117.62	4,604.08	1,682.99	50.63	.....	38,455.32
,338.67	36,136.84	39,338.67	.....	39,338.67	5,272.39	3,579.54	35.54	3.00	48,229.14
,745.78	28,945.86	31,745.78	.....	31,745.78	2,785.72	1,277.20	31.13	3.00	35,842.83
,614.66	26,700.43	31,614.66	.....	31,614 66	6,429.73	661.30	20 00	.....	38,725.69
,564.69	56,608.60	56,564.69	.....	56,564.69	5,377.16	5,489.31	40.10	165 00	67,636.26

CONFERENCE INCOME FOR APPROPRIATIONS BY DEPARTMENTS

Jurisdiction	Adult	W. S. G.	Total Paid on Pledge	Total Pledged 1943	Student	Youth Work	Chi
Southeastern (Continued):							
Holston	$37,832.65	$3,195.47	$41,028.12	$39,000.00	$17.95	$1,305.63	$1
Kentucky	23,860.90	1,739.10	25,600.00	25,500.00	.....	624.33	
Louisville	21,750.86	1,944.75	23,695.61	23,600.00	27.17	784.06	
Memphis	34,736.79	2,428.75	37,165.54	31,500.00	.....	478.00	
Mississippi	23,820.66	1,473.35	25,294.01	25,118.00	9.47	499.84	
North Alabama	37,398.20	2,286.80	39,685.00	37,660.00	.....	1,057.54	
North Carolina	44,619.11	3,344.58	47,963.69	43,300.00	.....	1,088.25	
North Georgia	49,202.00	9,342.67	58,544.67	54,000.00	15.00	1,064.58	
North Mississippi	22,588.13	1,202.17	23,790.30	21,000.00	.....	585.23	
South Carolina	24,781.28	1,107.82	25,889.10	25,000.00	11.61	326.64	
South Georgia	50,870.33	2,249.67	53,120.00	46,200.00	3.40	719.80	
Tennessee	30,008.75	2,240.74	32,249.49	29,050.00	.....	433.28	
Upper South Carolina	25,345.36	1,438.14	26,783.50	24,500.00	31.25	258.97	
Virginia	82,530.55	1,226.19	83,756.74	65,000.00	66.00	583.93	
Western North Carolina	57,707.33	5,324.59	63,031.92	53,750.00	5.00	1,095.28	
Western:							
*Alaska Mission	36.00	50.00	86.00	.....	.....	5.00	
California	39,497.29	1,479.40	40,976.69	37,760.00	.....	989.01	
Colorado	21,141.05	1,664.21	22,805.26	20,500.00	.....	443.95	
Idaho	6,114.64	241.12	6,355.76	5,500.00	.....	16.66	
Montana	6,704.73	285.61	6,990.34	5,500.00	.....	78.45	
Oregon	18,686.56	635.40	19,321.96	16,200.00	.....	285.48	
Pacific Northwest	29,467.88	936.97	30,404.85	30,000.00	.....	584.69	
Southern California-Arizona	139,827.39	3,237.49	143,064.88	115,000.00	.....	1,497.85	
Utah Mission	827.96	7.10	835.06	.....	.....	36.26	
Wyoming State	3,157.90	99.62	3,257.52	2,800.00	8.00	29.83	
Central:							
Atlanta	556.10	53.25	609.35	550.00	.....	53.55	
Central Alabama	762.54	17.00	779.54	700.00	10.00	25.50	
Central West	491.44	28.00	519.44	500.00	.....	31.15	
Delaware	3,367.50	80.50	3,448.00	3,350.00	23.19	86.05	
East Tennessee	613.50	.....	613.50	450.00	.....	.....	
Florida	302.81	24.00	326.81	280.00	.....	38.36	
Lexington	1,880.20	175.80	2,056.00	2,000.00	100.35	53.15	
Louisiana	774.21	22.00	796.21	500.00	.....	80.50	
Mississippi	347.00	28.00	375.00	375.00	20.00	3.00	
North Carolina	748.00	100.00	848.00	840.00	.....	48.00	
Savannah	265.00	.....	265.00	260.00	13.00	7.00	
South Carolina	744.41	26.50	770.91	725.00	.....	57.85	
South Florida	200.00	.....	200.00	200.00	.....	.....	
Southwest	307.00	31.00	338.00	400.00	.....	.....	
Tennessee	490.00	15.00	505.00	450.00	.....	24.00	
Texas	1,066.68	90.10	1,156.78	808.00	.....	30.32	
Upper Mississippi	64.40	.....	64.40	100.00	1.70	.....	
Washington	3,061.80	236.60	3,298.40	2,400.00	.....	114.65	
West Texas	208.91	.....	208.91	510.30	.....	3.00	
China Mission	270.57	.....	270.57	.....	.....	.....	
Hawaii	856.58	.....	856.58	.....	.....	.....	
Uruguay	18.27	.....	18.27	.....	.....	.....	
Totals from Conferences	$3,028,683.33	$133,628.84	$3,162,312.17	$2,922,652.30	$773.56	$55,043.50	$23,
Other Income for Appropriations:							
Deaconess Emergency and Relief							
Deaconess Pension							
Enrolled Missionary Pension Fund							
Interest							
Specials and Miscellaneous Gifts							
Other Designated Expendable Funds:							
Bennett College Endowment (W. H. M. S.)							
Brewster Hospital Fund							
Institutional Income							
Miscellaneous							
Refunds							
Transient							
Grand Totals	$3,028,683.33	$133,628.84	$3,162,312.17	$2,922,652.30	$773.56	$55,043.50	$23,

*Part of Alaska Mission Funds reported through Pacific Northwest Conference.

for ations 3	Total for Appropriations 1942	DIVISION OF TOTAL RECEIPTS: General Appropriations	Conference Work	Total for Appropriations 1943	Week of Prayer	Supplies	Cultivation ¼ of 1c Per Member	Misc.	Total Receipts
.516.29	$41,529.81	$42,516.29	.....	$42,516.29	$7,249.92	$1,288.42	$35.00	$1,001.00	$52,090.63
,471.84	25,463.45	26,471.84	.....	26,471.84	3,195.67	922.72	23.48	.....	30,613.71
,595.76	24,315.58	24,595.76	.....	24,595.76	3,448.29	1,006.91	19.95	350.00	29,420.91
,857.62	31,715.50	37,857.62	.....	37,857.62	5,376.94	1,766.55	28.55	100.00	45,129.66
,841.02	22,938.12	25,841.02	.....	25,841.02	4,085.60	320.95	20.00	.....	30,267.57
,025.35	38,279.25	41,025.35	.....	41,025.35	4,352.08	2,026.01	32.00	455.90	47,891.34
,281.72	48,071.76	47,381.72	$1,900.00	49,281.72	6,618.17	2,833.60	51.59	1,049.72	59,834.80
,145.41	57,298.10	55,389.66	4,755.75	60,145.41	5,530.45	1,484.52	125.00	3,921.92	71,207.30
,564.08	21,095.99	24,564.08	.....	24,564.08	3,334.50	704.91	16.97	.....	28,620.46
,311.97	25,821.10	26,311.97	.....	26,311.97	2,903.76	957.94	43.78	25.00	30,242.45
,931.22	45,987.81	53,931.22	.....	53,931.22	5,975.87	2,786.34	35.00	26.55	62,754.98
,761.71	25,799.50	27,461.71	5,300.00	32,761.71	3,384.23	1,044.95	24.95	17.50	37,233.34
,183.72	27,918.84	27,183.72	.....	27,183.72	3,026.02	2,609.69	26.76	1,306.00	34,152.19
,622.92	78,329.14	84,622.92	.....	84,622.92	11,678.99	2,836.95	93.69	5.00	99,237.55
,385.05	60,950.85	64,385.05	.....	64,385.05	4,936.85	3,009.26	.....	4,014.92	76,346.08
91.00	.....	91.00	.....	91.00	14.70	.....	.....	.....	105.70
,172.74	37,725.60	40,946.24	1,226.50	42,172.74	1,983.09	1,966.31	35.00	1,637.43	47,794.57
,508.87	22,341.14	20,588.87	2,920.00	23,508.87	701.20	1,309.80	12.50	569.35	26,101.72
,385.39	5,495.17	6,385.39	.....	6,385.39	249.86	403.36	8.80	.....	7,047.41
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,717.61	17,616.27	18,567.61	1,150.00	19,717.61	853.00	373.36	10.00	.....	20,953.97
,458.21	37,555.19	26,951.66	4,506.55	31,458.21	1,415.54	1,225.56	25.15	71.00	34,195.46
,325.79	114,882.47	109,526.82	35,798.97	145,325.79	3,485.40	4,445.52	128.92	2,684.78	156,070.41
875.32	952.46	875.32	.....	875.32	43.85	63.30	.80	10.00	993.27
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947.50	935.00	947.50	.....	947.50	35.50	131.90	5.00	.....	1,119.90
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,931.44	$3,057,348.96	$2,998,594.65	$243,336.79	$3,241,931.44	$195,889.78	$112,588.09	$3,284.08	$52,140.33	$3,605,833.72
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,931.44	$3,057,348.96	$3,193,151.81	$243,336.79	$3,436,488.60	$195,955.89	$112,798.76	$3,284.08	$609,380.64	$4,357,907.97

Southeastern Jurisdiction

By Maud M. Turpin

THE first separate meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Southeastern Jurisdiction since its organization three years ago was held at Edenton Street Methodist Church, Raleigh, North Carolina, February 22-24. The event found officers and delegates from the seventeen annual conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction in their appointed places, also a representative from the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Cuba.

Mrs. E. L. Hillman, President of the jurisdiction, called attention to the size of the membership of the Southeastern Jurisdiction (221,000), and urged that the women become aware of the potentialities of the organization, numerically, financially, and spiritually. Now is the time, she begged, for the women of the Southeastern Jurisdiction to begin to practice brotherhood on a world scale; to raise one million dollars for missions, and to seek out youth and assist them in securing training for the service in the missionary enterprise.

The first public meeting on Tuesday evening found Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon, Executive Secretary, as guest speaker, and her address on "World Christianity Today and Tomorrow" stirred the women to their responsibility and opportunity in building a new world order. Miss MacKinnon was introduced by the Hon. Josephus Daniels, a Christian statesman who is not only a favorite son in his own state, city, and church, but in the nation as well.

Others taking part on the program were: Dr. Hornell Hart, of Duke University; Mrs. J. W. Piggott, of Irvington, Kentucky, member of the Board of Missions and Church Extension; Dr. Rufus E. Clement, President of Atlanta University; Miss Louise Robinson, of Murfreesboro, Tennessee, missionary in China; Dr. Hilda Ives, of Newton Centre, Massachusetts, outstanding woman minister and specialist in rural missions. In addition, firsthand reports were brought by home workers; and recently repatriated missionaries from Occupied China told of their experiences and of the faith of the Chinese Christians. Without exception, they urged that hatreds engendered by the war should not be perpetuated. Throughout, the program emphasized the chosen theme, "Thy Kingdom Come."

Reports of officers and administrative secretaries revealed progress along all lines.

Some High Lights

The Jurisdiction's financial pledge totaled $653,918, an increase of $39,403 over the preceding year.

A recognition service honored new and retiring workers as follows: New Workers, 1943—Vivian Stalworth (Alabama); Mary Lois Dickson (Tennessee), China; Jennie Flood (Florida); Mary Lou Reynolds (South Carolina); Marjorie Swift (Memphis), China. New Workers, 1944—Mary Helen Wood (deaconess); Mary Shacklette (deaconess); Harriet Luter (home missionary).

Retiring deaconesses: Dorothy Crim, Mary Ora Durham, Belle Hennen, Addie Greely.

Retiring missionaries: Charlotte Brownlee (Korea); Mabel Morgan (India); Margaret Morgan (India); Ellasue Wagner (Korea).

The delegates voted to memorialize General Conference for full clergy rights for "God-called, prepared" women on the same basis as men, including the itinerancy.

A meeting of the Deaconess Association of the Southeastern Jurisdiction was held concurrently with the jurisdiction meeting and Mrs. E. A. Brubaker, Athens, Tennessee, was elected president.

Attention: Spiritual Life Secretaries

Tuesday, April 25, has been designated by the General Conference Commission on Evangelism as a day of fasting and prayer for those who are attending the General Conference at Kansas City, Missouri.

The Woman's Division of Christian Service, through the Spiritual Life Committee, is co-operating in the plan. We earnestly request that each prayer group and fellowship of intercession group in the local church, will also observe the day; praying definitely that divine wisdom and guidance may be given to those who represent the church in the General Conference. Let us make this our prayer project for April and May.

—MRS. W. M. ALEXANDER,
Chairman, Spiritual Life Committee.

In Memoriam

Just as this paper was being finished in the editorial office (March 10), the New York *Times* and a wire from Mr. Frank G. Brooks, Mt. Vernon, Iowa, brings information of the death of *Bishop Thomas H. Nicholson.* The many friends of Mrs. Nicholson are thinking of her at this time of sorrow.

Mrs. Luella M. Evelsizer, a much-beloved deaconess of the former Woman's Home Missionary Society, left her earthly home on January 30, 1944, as the result of an illness which lasted over three years. She was graduated from the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School, Washington, D. C., in 1906, and went to the Deaconess Home Settlement, Philadelphia, in 1907, where she remained until 1927. At that time Mrs. Evelsizer affiliated herself with the West Side Community House, Cleveland, Ohio, from which appointment she retired in 1940 because of ill health. She was making her home with a cousin in Roseville, Illinois, at the time of her death.

The many friends of Mrs. Frank E. Baker, Secretary of Foreign Work of the North Central Jurisdiction, will deeply sympathize with her in the sudden passing of her husband, *Mr. Frank E. Baker.* Mr. Baker was a representative of the Division of Home and Foreign Missions of the Board of Missions and Church Extension in property matters and also contacted perspective annuitants on behalf of the Divisions.

The friends of Miss Mary F. Floyd, Superintendent of Vashti School, Thomasville, Georgia, will deeply sympathize with her in the loss of her mother, who died February 17, at La Grange, Georgia.

Minnie E. Newton, born September 14, 1878, in East Aurora, New York, died January 21, 1944, at Godhra, India, of a heart attack. Miss Newton graduated from Albany College in 1906 and later attended the Biblical Seminary and Teachers' College, Columbia, receiving her B.Sc. from the latter in 1919 and her M.A. in 1927. She first sailed for India in the autumn of 1912, arriving on the field in December of that year. She returned to India from her last furlough in 1936. Her long years of service were practically all spent in Godhra, India, as supervisor of the Normal Training School.

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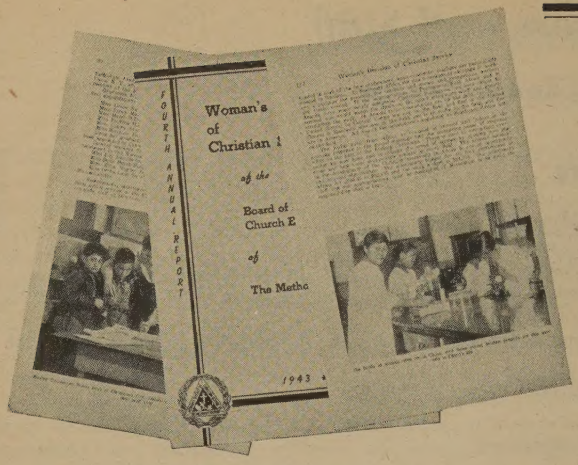

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